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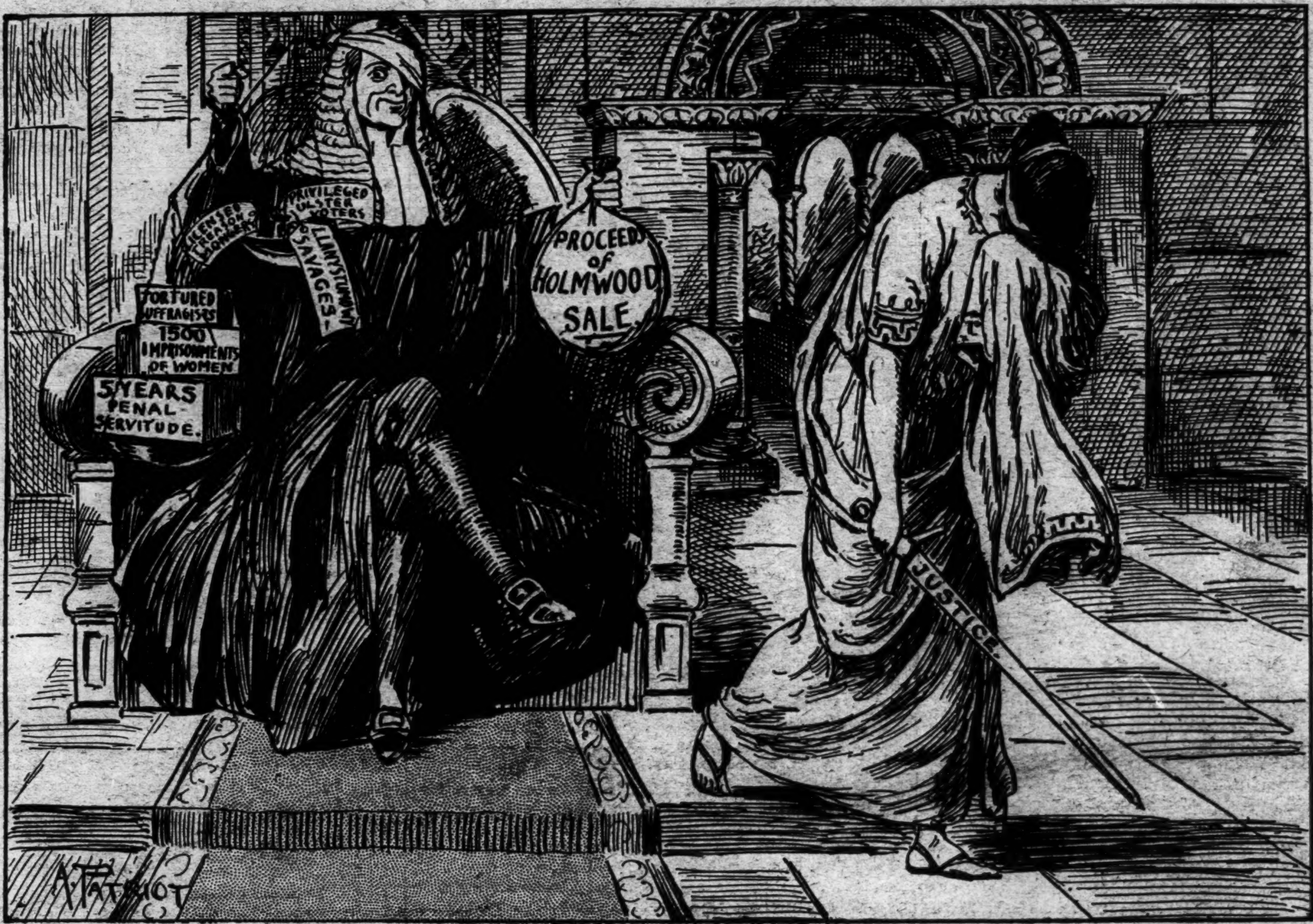

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To the brave women who to-day are fighting for freedom: to the noble women who all down the ages kept the flag flying and looked forward to this day without seeing it: to all women all over the world, of whatever race, or creed, or calling, whether they be with us or against us in this fight, we dedicate this paper.

THE OUTLOOK

Parliament reassembles next Monday, and though it is a bad place for the redress of grievances, it still serves for the ventilation of them, because the Government have not yet found a means of suppressing questions. We may now expect to hear the official explanation of the Government's decision to continue the forcible feeding of Mrs. Leigh and Miss Gladys Evans until the very last hour, and to bring them by this means to the point of death—an atrocious policy which, having resulted in the release of Mrs. Leigh, a fortnight ago, in a condition from which she is now only slowly recovering, is still being pursued in the case of Miss Evans. The invasion of Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence's home in Surrey may also be the subject of question. The Labour Party will presumably decide in the next few days its policy with regard to Votes for Women. The proposition made for their acceptance by that loyal friend of women, Mr. Lansbury, is discussed in the leading article.

Votes for Ulster Women

Ulster Day and the series of demonstrations that led up to it are over. The only question in doubt now is when the Ulster militants propose to take the next warlike step. The men and women of Ulster have pledged themselves to resist Home Rule to the uttermost—to the point of death for themselves and for those who attempt to subdue them. The Ulster women will share the risks and penalties. Are they to have the same rewards as the men, or are they to remain as now, political outlaws, deprived of all protection from the Imperial Parliament or an Ulster Parliament either? The Irishwomen's Reform League telegraphed to Sir Edward Carson at the Ulster Hall:—

> Feel confident that you, recognising the destined and irresistible progress of the suffrage cause, have met it by granting Votes for Women under the Provisional Government.

If Sir Edward Carson and his friends grant the Suffrage to women under the proposed Provisional Government, this will indeed be a blow to Mr. Redmond, who is vehemently opposed to giving Irishwomen any political rights under the Home Rule Bill.

Unionist Party Committed to Violence

Mr. Balfour and Mr. Bonar Law have both intimated that, in their opinion, if Ulster fights, Ulster will be right, Mr. Bonar Law saying:—

> I am in a position to assure the people of Ulster that in this struggle they do not stand alone, but can rely upon the support of the whole Unionist Party.

Lord Selborne's comment upon the declaration of Civil War which Ulster has been making is:—

> The method which the people of Ulster are adopting to show the depth of their convictions and the intensity of their feeling will impress the imagination of the whole Empire.

Lord Robert Cecil says in words most applicable, if he would admit it, to the Suffrage situation:—

> The present Government are mere usurpers. . . . What wonder that the people of Ulster bitterly resent such treatment? If the situation thus created results in civil war—which may heaven avert!—the responsibility will rest, not on Ulster, but on the Government.

Mr. F. E. Smith, in one of his Ulster speeches, commended to his hearers the example of Jennie Geddes, saying:—

> There was once a woman famous in Scottish history and known under the name of Jennie Geddes. Her title to fame was that she was the first woman that flung a stool that broke a dynasty. Gentlemen, Ulster is the Jennie Geddes of to-day.

The Policy that Pays

In our leading article a fortnight ago we drew attention to the influence which Ulster militancy is having upon the attitude of the Government. In support of our contention we cited Mr. Winston Churchill's Dundee speech and the hint thrown out by Mr. Massingham, a Ministerial mouthpiece. Mr. Massingham has since Ulster Day repeated in more definite form the hint that the Government contemplate a surrender to militancy, but in the *Daily News* he says:—

> But we can at least make the process of restoring to

Ireland the normal conditions of political life in the British Empire as deliberate, as conciliatory to Ulster feeling as we may. And I think we all feel that there is one weak point in our armoury, that is to say, the insufficient examination of the problem of Home Rule at the last election. Home Rule, no doubt, was a card, and a leading card in the pack. But it was not precisely at the top. How can it have taken that position in face of the critical and mastering issue of the Parliament Bill? Now let us keep this point in mind, and realise that even at the end of the process of reconsidering the non-familiar problems of Irish Government there may still be something fairly due to Ulster in the way of a formal appeal to the British electorate. . . . At all events, let us have this point of the controversy in view, and consider whether, beneath the sound and fury of Ulster, something like one solid political grievance may not be found to lie.

Here is new encouragement to women to persist in their militancy. It is a policy that pays.

Double-Dealing Ministers

Sir John Simon, the Attorney-General, has also been speaking in conciliatory fashion of Ulster, but in more guarded terms than Mr. Massingham, whose appointed part it evidently is to place the ladder down which the Government can climb. Sir John Simon says:—

> I fully and frankly admit that this Ulster problem is the most difficult aspect of the whole Home Rule controversy. . . . We should give serious consideration to these matters. . . . The true part of English statesmanship at this time is to show these people that we are anxious to deal with them fairly and squarely as citizens and as fellow-subjects.

And his respectful reference to the Ulster militants shows how absurd is Sir Rufus Isaacs' statement on the subject of Suffragist militancy. He says:—

> If only the militants would discontinue their present tactics I should feel more hopeful of Parliament accepting the amendment. As it is, every fresh outburst weakens the chance of success and hardens the minds of those who hitherto had not determined to oppose, even although they had not resolved to support. If the militants wished to oppose instead of support the grant of the franchise they could not have selected surer weapons.

Now, if militancy promotes the cause of the Ulster men, how can militancy put back the cause of the Suffragists? We leave it to these double-dealing Ministers to elucidate the mystery. It is true that to Ulster Sir Rufus Isaacs has spoken with some degree of boldness, yet he promises sympathetic and careful consideration of safeguards—and for the rest, we shall see!

Lord Robert Cecil on the Situation

Lord Robert Cecil, purporting to review the Suffrage situation, said not one word of the Nationalist hostility, which alone is enough to wreck any unofficial Woman Suffrage Amendment, and said not one word of the Government's bad faith and their repeated breaches of the "pledge" given by the Prime Minister. Instead of showing how these vital dangers can be combated by non-militancy, Lord Robert Cecil discussed his personal attitude to the various Amendments to the Manhood Suffrage Bill, and thereby confirmed all militants in their belief that a Government measure is a necessity. He does not believe in giving votes to women on the same terms as men under this Bill, "because men did not get the Vote in a lump but took some eighty years to reach the present position." Yes, but women have been kept waiting all those eighty years, too, and ought not to be asked to take only the first step when men are taking the last. As to the Norwegian Amendment, Lord Robert Cecil "is not sure personally that he would go even as far as that," although he will vote for the Amendment "if it is likely to be carried." He prefers the Amendment giving votes to women who have the Municipal franchise. Lord Robert Cecil reveals a state of disunion and indiscipline among the Suffragists in Parliament which is a strong incitement to the exertion of militant pressure upon the Government.

Echoes of Llanystumdwy

The Llanystumdwy outrage and the superhuman courage of the handful of women who faced that savage crowd, have continued to be a subject of eager discussion in the Press and elsewhere. The *Yorkshire Post* is almost alone amongst the newspapers of the country in defending the abominable conduct of the crowd. We are surprised to see that the Rector of Llanystumdwy also wins unpleasant distinction by writing to the Press to suggest that the Suffragists were responsible for what occurred, and that they ought to have yielded to the threats of mob violence, and remained silent before the man who is betraying them and their cause. The *Manchester Courier*, having issued a poster, "The Savages of Wales," the Secretary of the Welsh National Society of Manchester has sent to the Editor a letter protesting against these "insulting and libellous words," and announcing a meeting of his Society to consider the matter. The Editor's retort is:—

> We are glad that the Welsh National Society is to hold a meeting, and we suggest that a resolution should be passed regretting the disgraceful incident on Saturday as being a blot on the fair name of Wales.

The Paris *Matin* published a photograph depicting a Suffragist attacked by the mob, yet "smiling at her dream of emancipation."

The Government's Abuse of Justice

We are still waiting to see whether the Government intend to prosecute those who committed the assaults at Llanystumdwy. The identification of these men will be a very easy matter. Not only will the Press photographs be of the greatest assistance, but the names of the assailants must be well-known in the district. If the Government do not order a prosecution this will be a distinct invitation to their partisans all over the country to follow the example set at Llanystumdwy. This Government's abuse of justice is an intolerable scandal. Any attack by Suffragists upon Ministers or even upon property is punished with the utmost rigour. But savage Liberals are given a free hand to assault women, to tear out their hair, to trample upon them, to kill them, it may be. At this moment, one Suffragist, Miss Gladys Evans, is a convict under sentence of five years' penal servitude, and is being forcibly fed; another is lying gravely ill, having been released from prison only at the point of death; bailiffs are in the house of Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, in order that payment of a huge fine may be compelled, and the husband of a woman who resists payment of taxes is in prison. The guilty followers of Mr. Lloyd George are all at large!

Australian Parliament Discusses Forcible Feeding

The forcible feeding of Suffragist prisoners by the Imperial Government was on August 16 the subject of discussion in the Australian House of Representatives. A member of the House, Mr. Higgs, asked the Prime Minister the following question:—

> (1) Has his attention been drawn to a letter, under date 9th August, 1912, signed by Miss Vida Goldstein, President of the Women's Political Association of Victoria, having reference to the treatment of suffragettes in British prisons? [Here followed a description of the process.]
>
> (2) Will the Prime Minister make such representation to the Imperial Government as may lead to a stoppage of the forcible feeding of political prisoners?

The answers given by the Prime Minister, Mr. Fisher, were:—

> (1) Not before this notice appeared.
>
> (2) I think political prisoners should not be treated as criminals, but do not think it necessary to make representations to the Imperial Government on the matter.

An Animated Debate

Not content with this answer, Mr. Higgs again raised the matter of the adjournment of the House, and an animated debate took place. In the course of his speech Mr. Higgs said:—

> Within a few years men in England who are responsible for the treatment now being meted out to the Suffragettes will be ashamed of themselves. . . . Some one said this morning that we should mind our own business.
>
> An Hon. Member: This is our business.
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> This Parliament ventured to express its opinion regarding the action of the Russians in the Doggerbank incident. It protested against the employment of Chinese on the Rand, and against the form of the Coronation Oath, and passed resolutions in favour of Home Rule for Ireland. I appeal to men like the Leader of the Opposition, who can grow so eloquent on the subject of Empire . . . whether he does not consider that we in this Parliament, who, it is said, are now shouldering the responsibilities of Empire, should not make a protest against the inhuman treatment which is being meted out in Great Britain to the political prisoners who are in favour of the franchise to women.

Dr. Maloney, who was in London at the time of the Coronation, said:—

> The franchise of the Home land is a degraded franchise, and I told a Committee in the House of Commons that they could not call themselves other than barbarians until they gave every man and woman a vote.

Miss Goldstein, who has the thanks of all militants for her action, informs us that "we are taking further steps to get the question discussed in Parliament, and something done."

Mr. Lloyd George Found Out Again

This debate in the Australian House of Representatives incidentally cast a light upon Mr. Lloyd George's Anti-Suffrage tactics. Mr. Archibald, one of the Australian M.P.'s who attended the Coronation, said:—

> I took great care when in England last summer to have absolutely nothing to do with the franchise movement there. If it was a movement to enfranchise the whole of the womanhood of England, I should be thoroughly in favour of it; but it is not of that character at all. It is a movement for the extension of the franchise only to certain educated women; and Mr. Lloyd George is opposed to it for that reason. He fears that the reform movement in England may be sacrificed for twenty or thirty years through a partial extension of the suffrage in that direction.

So this, it seems, is the falsehood which Mr. Lloyd George busied himself in circulating amongst the Australian M.P.'s during their visit to London, hoping thereby to destroy their sympathy with the Votes for Women movement in this country! We should be interested to know how, if he were to meet them at the present time, he would justify the introduction of a Government measure giving votes to men only, and whether he would be honest enough to say that the W.S.P.U. is fighting for the inclusion in the Bill of women rich and poor upon the same conditions as men!

"G. B. S." on the Revolt of Men

Fiction is sometimes the forerunner of fact. In the delightful play, "How the Vote was Won," the men were moved, not by the needs and wrongs of women, but by trouble which came upon themselves, to insist upon the passage of a Votes for Women Bill. And now we have Mr. Bernard Shaw saying at the meeting to protest against the imprisonment of Mr. Wilks:—

> This is the beginning of the revolt of my own unfortunate sex against the intolerable penalty which has been brought upon us by the refusal of the Government to bring about a reform which, whatever its merits may be, was a reform which everyone knew was going to come, and the delay of which was a mere piece of senseless stupidity. I as a man was able to bear the delay of the reform with a certain amount of equanimity when I saw before me the spectacle of women heroically sacrificing themselves. Now that women have taken to sacrificing men, things are altered. It really is a serious thing. From the unfortunate Prime Minister downwards, no man is safe.

Referring to Mrs. Leigh's release, Mr. Shaw said:—

> The other day he had challenged the Government to starve Mrs. Leigh to death. . . . The way the Suffragists had really beaten the Government was by the old Oriental trick of starving on your enemy's doorstep. . . . If your enemy was certain that he was in the right, and that public opinion was on his side, he had no hesitation in letting you starve. But when it turned out that your enemy was not prepared to let you starve, and that public opinion was not prepared to let you starve, it meant that the person on the doorstep was in the right. That was what the Government appeared too stupid to realise.

One of Our Grievances

What are women's grievances, is the favourite question of men who profess to be unconvinced on the subject of Woman Suffrage. The refusal of the Law Society Conference to sanction the admission of women as solicitors draws attention to one of women's grievances, namely, their exclusion from both branches of the legal profession. It is a great injustice to exclude women from a profession which is interesting, lucrative, and a main avenue to high public position. Women have as good a right to be represented in the law courts by counsel of their sex as they have to be medically attended by women doctors. In 1870 the entrance of women into the medical profession was facilitated by Act of Parliament. The growth of the male electorate since those days has made it a matter of far greater difficulty to get special legislation for women than it was in 1870. Therefore, there is little hope (in spite of the welcome recently given by the legal profession over here to a woman barrister from France) that women will be enabled to become lawyers until the possession of the vote gives them an influence over Parliament. The male lawyer cries out against female competition in an already crowded profession. Women suggest the raising of the qualifying standard, so that only the best applicants of each sex shall be admitted.

RETURN OF MR. AND MRS. PETHICK LAWRENCE

The message from Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence that we print on page 849 reached us from Fishguard as we went to press. Readers of VOTES FOR WOMEN will join with us in congratulating them very heartily on their safe return to England, and will warmly share the defiant indignation they express at the action taken in their absence by the "Government burglars" at Holmwood.

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(For Speakers, see Announcements.)

LEVELS

By Stephen Andrew (Frank G. Layton, M.R.C.S.)
Author of "Doctor Grey," "Sable and Motley," &c

The other day Fate (and my business) took me to a certain rather unattractive house, lying in the midst of a dank and decaying garden, and encompassed by the acrid smells of a tan-yard. In the house I interviewed two little girls—Polly, aged fourteen, and Dora, aged fifteen. Polly had been sent to the house by an Inspector of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; Dora had been wafted in on the plea that she was unfit for domestic service on account of a crooked shoulder, and unsuited to the society of her little brothers and sisters because of a twisted temper.

I was sorry for Polly, and more sorry for Dora. Both were garbed in cast-off clothing, consisting mainly of patches; both were underfed and pale; both obviously had never had anything of a chance; both were just waifs—misfits—problems for the charitable. But there was this difference between them—Polly had a plentiful crop of hair; Dora had almost no hair at all. Some strong-minded person, after a startled examination, had got out her scissors, and Dora had lost what St. Paul (was it St. Paul?) called the chief glory of woman.

Poor little girls--derelicts cast up on the kindly doorstep of the Rescue Home—what will be their portion? To-day they are learning to wash and iron; and if the Matron (a good sort, with no vinegar at all in her make-up) can manage it, they will learn their lesson well. But your daughters, my daughters, your sisters, my sisters, are playing at fourteen and fifteen; they are not wearing cast-off clothing consisting almost wholly of patches; no one has cut their hair (for sanitary reasons).

Consider the question of levels. Your baby—what will it become? Her baby . . . ?

Have you seen many babies—and asked the question, "What will they go through—what of pleasure, what of pain?" Have you ever looked at a baby and prayed that it might die? Have you thought of the babies (there are so many of them) foredoomed to agony—agony of body, agony of mind?

And mothers. But there are some mothers of whom one does not care to think (being cowardly, and cursed with a sense of imagination—and knowledge).

Those levels. There is your level—my level. And there is hers. On your level, my level, there are comfort, ease, all sorts of good things. In hers there is no comfort, no ease; nothing but toil and weariness and despair.

Recently I went to the annual meeting of that Rescue Home—that clearing house for the derelicts of a bit of our civilisation—and I thought of many things. I thought of my children and their future, and I thought of Polly and Dora, and of their patched garments, and of Dora's shorn head.

Dora and Polly (and many more) are clothed like figures of fun, because the kindly lady who mothers them is short of money, and because Dora and Polly do not seem to belong to anybody in particular. The patchwork, at any rate, keeps them warm—but would *you* like to go abroad in patches?

The Rescue Home, with its dank garden, is a pititful spot. Those who are cast up by the tide there are battered and bruised; but, with care, their bruises will heal. Those who control the house have not forgotten how to laugh; but some of those who come there have forgotten.

Some day they will have a piano, so that they may dance (in your level the means for dancing are always within reach). Some day (when people have rubbed their eyes, and learned to see things as they are) they will have all sorts of good things, including unpatched garments enough to go round.

It was my business to examine Polly and Dora, and to certify them fit for work; but what I ought to do, what I should like to do, what, in short, I do here and now, is to certify that they are fit for play.

Unfortunately, however, there is no playground for Polly and Dora.

At fourteen and fifteen, on our level, girls play. At fourteen and fifteen Polly and Dora are lucky if they can get work. Ours is a crooked civilisation!

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THE W.S.P.U. IN CANADA

Reuter's Agency informs us that: "Miss Wylie, a prominent English Suffragette, arrived yesterday at Quebec, and received a courteous welcome. She will interview Mr. Borden, the Canadian Premier, here." In due course we shall receive from Miss Wylie, and shall present to our readers, full accounts of the progress of the W.S.P.U. Campaign in Canada.

TREASURER'S NOTE

This week's VOTES FOR WOMEN is the first to be issued from the new Editorial Offices at Lincoln's Inn House. The Women's Social and Political Union is now in its new home, and if the offices presented for a day or two last week something of the appearance of a Futurist picture, order was rapidly evolved out of chaos, and a mild Post-Impressionism is all that now remains to show that the largest political organisation of modern times has changed its quarters between the issue of one paper and the next. We remind all who read this, however, that a move of such proportions cannot be achieved without a considerable expenditure of money; nor can the strenuous autumn campaign that lies before the militant Suffragists be carried on without funds. By the time these lines are printed the Honorary Treasurer of the W.S.P.U. will have returned once more to England. And in less than a fortnight she will be standing on the platform of the Albert Hall. Is it necessary to say more to the members of a Union who have never yet failed to give with both hands as soon as Mrs. Pethick Lawrence told them that the War Chest needed refilling? On October 17 she will be there to tell them this again—and there is just a fortnight in which to save up!

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Mrs. Thornton	0	2	0
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Mrs. Smith	0	6	0
Miss Piggin	0	1	8
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Profit on writing-board	0	4	6
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Per Miss D. Pethick	1	13	9
Total	**£134,157**	**18**	**9**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our readers are reminded that the address of the W.S.P.U. is now Lincoln's Inn House, Kingsway, W.C.

London Meetings

With the advent of autumn the weekly meetings in London will again be held on Mondays and Thursdays. Admission is free, and all interested are welcome. These meetings are a splendid opportunity for strangers to learn more about the movement, besides forming a reunion for members. Everybody will be anxious to know the latest news of the Leaders and the plans for autumn work, and they are advised to be in their places in good time next Monday, October 7, at the London Pavilion, at 3 p.m., when Miss Annie Kenney will take the chair, and Mrs. Drummond and Miss Naylor will speak. On Thursday, the 10th, at the Steinway Hall, at 8 o'clock, Miss Annie Kenney will again take the chair, and Miss Rachel Barrett, B.Sc., and Miss Naylor will speak.

The Albert Hall Meeting

Less than two weeks to the great Albert Hall meeting! It will be one of the most impressive reunions that has ever been held, and will serve as a welcome to the Leaders, and as a tribute to all who have suffered imprisonment for the Cause this year. All seats are now sold, with the exception of a few in the Balcony, price 1s. each. These should be applied for at once from Miss Cooke, Ticket Secretary. Those who wish to have the honour of stewarding at this important meeting are asked to send their names at once to Mrs. Ayrton Gould (Lincoln's Inn House, Kingsway, W.C.), who has kindly undertaken this work. Members only are eligible.

Christmas Fete and Fair

The Christmas Fair is still far ahead of us, but time flies, and those who are making gifts are already hard at work. Every odd moment should be utilised in this way.

Woman's Press, 156, Charing Cross Road, W.C.

This department of the W.S.P.U. will not move into Lincoln's Inn House until Christmas, so will correspondents continue to address letters to the above address, as usual, in order to save delay?

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THE LLANYSTUMDWY OUTRAGE

The almost unanimous condemnation of the Liberal savages at Llanystumdwy—we believe that only one newspaper has been found to excuse the conduct of Mr. Lloyd George's adherents on this shameful occasion—continues to find expression all over the country in letters to the Press as well as in leading articles and editorial comments. We print below a selection from the many letters of indignant protest which have reached us (one of them from an anti-Suffragist, who, we imagine, will not now remain in the wrong camp any longer); also a few of the opinions expressed in the papers. They form a strong commentary on the brutal attitude of the Government's supporters towards the militant Suffragists, which has been encouraged, of course, by the Government's own coercive treatment of the women who are out to-day fighting for their liberties. Our cartoonist has embodied in a clever drawing Mr. Blatchford's suggestion in the *Clarion* that the "tribe of the Llanystumdwys," not discouraged by their "chief medicine man," Mr. Lloyd George, have grossly maltreated white women, and should at once be subdued by a "punitive expedition." We on our part await the punitive expedition which it is clearly the duty of the Government to send out in the form of an instant prosecution of the men who assaulted these women last Saturday week.

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A correspondent writes:—

In the neighbourhood around Criccieth there is undoubtedly a very strong feeling of disgust and dismay at the brutal treatment meted out to our women at Llanystumdwy.

The proprietor of one large shop we entered, on seeing our badges, came forward herself to serve us, and immediately began to apologise for her countrymen. She said she felt that Wales had been disgraced in the eyes of the world, adding, "And we have been proud to call ourselves a religious people." She told us it was well known that a large number of the men had gone to the village, not as worshipping Welshmen, but with the sole purpose of having some "fun" with Suffragettes! She added that she was quite in sympathy with our cause. "And why shouldn't women haf votes, inteed, whatiffer!" She gladly accepted a copy of Votes for Women, which she had never seen before.

The secret of our whereabouts on Saturday having leaked out in our little village, the already existing interest in us has been redoubled. Heads pop round doors and corners as we pass, and the children gaze upon us with something almost of awe. Previous to Shameful Saturday our progress about the precincts of the village has been marred by ill-mannered shouts of "Suffragettes," occasional hisses, and once even a shower of stones. Now, as we pass we hear half-suppressed murmurs of "Suffree——" and in place of stones and hisses there is a shamed silence.

It happened that our address transpired through the agency of a local tradesman, one of our few champions on the field of battle. Since then we have received almost daily visits from the local police (with anxious inquiries as to our injuries), and these frequent visions of stalwart "men in blue" on our doorstep arouse a constant flutter of excited fears (or hopes) amongst the villagers. "Are they being arrested?"

The rank of our visitors has risen in grade from constable to sergeant, culminating in a request from the Chief-Inspector of the district for the great favour of a personal interview. This resulted in an interesting talk, and gave us an opportunity of explaining our presence on a so-called "non-political" occasion, when three M.P.'s and four Cabinet Ministers were expected as speakers!

G. W.

To the Editors of Votes for Women.

Dear Editors,—Although I cannot see eye to eye with the militants in respect to tactics, I should like to express my absolute horror and disgust at the treatment of the women by Mr. Lloyd George's savage mob. I can imagine nothing more revolting or repelling than the awful treatment of the Suffragists, and look upon this as one of the most degrading incidents in modern British history. . . . Perhaps Mr. Lloyd George will lend policemen's uniforms to the Suffragists at his next meeting, as a memento of his own gallantry in years gone by. A popular song, dealing with the adventures of a shipwrecked mariner, says, "In the Island of Walla Wooloo, they have crowned him King Rangoo." I would suggest that Mr. Lloyd George try for a similar position. He would shine as King Rangoo, with his savage supporters dancing round him beating their tom-toms and tearing women's hair out by the roots. He has certainly qualified for such a position. I wish my Suffragist friends, although I differ from them on many points, to know my hatred of such savagery.—Yours, &c.,

B. Simmons, jun.

FROM AN "ANTI."

Dear Editor,—I am an Anti-Suffragist, and opposed to militant methods of every kind, but may I say in your paper that the horrible cruelties and outrages recently perpetrated on those poor women make one feel sick with indignation and disgust.

Many who do not share your views must sympathise with the sufferings of those who are sacrificing so much to carry them out, and we shudder at the abominable and wanton barbarity displayed by Lloyd George's supporters, whom he distinctly incited and encouraged to acts of violence, though with characteristic hypocrisy he afterwards pretended to regret them. The conduct of the mob could scarcely be surpassed by savages, and no doubt actual murder would have been done but for the aid of the police.

The picture of the ruffians actually tearing out the hair of the defenceless woman has haunted me ever since I saw it.

"They brought it on themselves," said the gentle and genial Chancellor. Let us hope that he is bringing on *himself* what he so richly deserves.—Yours, &c.,

A Strongly Sympathising "Anti."

A WELSH ADMISSION

It is to be admitted that the violence of the crowd was beyond all reason, however much they might disagree with the methods of the militant women.—**Cambria Daily Leader.**

"WHAT MANCHESTER THINKS TO-DAY"

We say bluntly that the treatment of the women who interrupted Mr. Lloyd George on Saturday does not speak very well for the manhood of those who took part in it. One doubts if the most advanced feminist at the beginning of that agitation foresaw that anything so terrible would result as came about at Llanystumdwy. Now the scales have fallen from all eyes, and the quiet citizen looks with dread to the time when he will open his paper to find that the militant agitation has reached its climax in open murder.—**Manchester Dispatch.**

Whatever the British public may think of the militant Suffragists, it certainly does not approve of the subjection of a number of ladies, however misguided their tactics may be, to the cruelties of lynch law or to the mercies of a crew of infuriated hooligans whose actions, when their blood is heated, would apparently disgrace the manners of a Parisian mob under the Terror. The account of what was actually seen by eye-witnesses immediately after the first interruption of Mr. George's speech is almost too revolting for one to believe that it relates to any event recorded of modern England—or of Wales. But the case is a thousand times more discreditable when it becomes apparent—as it must from our correspondent's carefully emphatic statements—that the whole affair was premeditated, from the very beginning, on the part of the despicable bullies who took part in the scene. We can credit Mr. Lloyd George with a feeling of intense concern and disgust at these horrible proceedings. But we must be quite frank. We cannot justly hold him altogether free from responsibility for Saturday's brutalism. His rôle as a mob-leader has been a dangerous one from the beginning. And his recent speech delivered before a Welsh audience at Wrexham could only be interpreted by the uneducated among his own excitable race as a direct incitement to attack Suffragists with extreme violence. We trust that he will carefully dissociate himself from the least sympathy with Saturday's outrage, and that his public declarations for the future will contain fewer texts on which the forces of disorder can found a pretext for the indulgence of brutality.

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In this country we do not lynch even our murderers; but to-day five women have been in danger of being done to death merely for raising their voices in a public assembly. In the militant women themselves I saw no sign of hysteria, of violence, nor of any kind of conduct that was not dignified and restrained; in many hundreds of Welsh people I saw the brute leap out in gesture, in invective, in blows, in contorted faces, and in horrid, hysterical laughter. How much of this responsibility rests upon the shoulders of Mr. Lloyd George himself? How much, previous to to-day, has he done to calm the mob? How much has he not done, by his seeming indifference to the violence committed upon women, to incite the mob? Should not he, who knows the mob so well, whose very laws are made to placate and please the mob, whose official existence depends upon the favour of the mob—should not this man, more than any other man, know how dangerous it is even to seem to approve of these violent acts and violent emotions that are typical of the savage section of the democracy?

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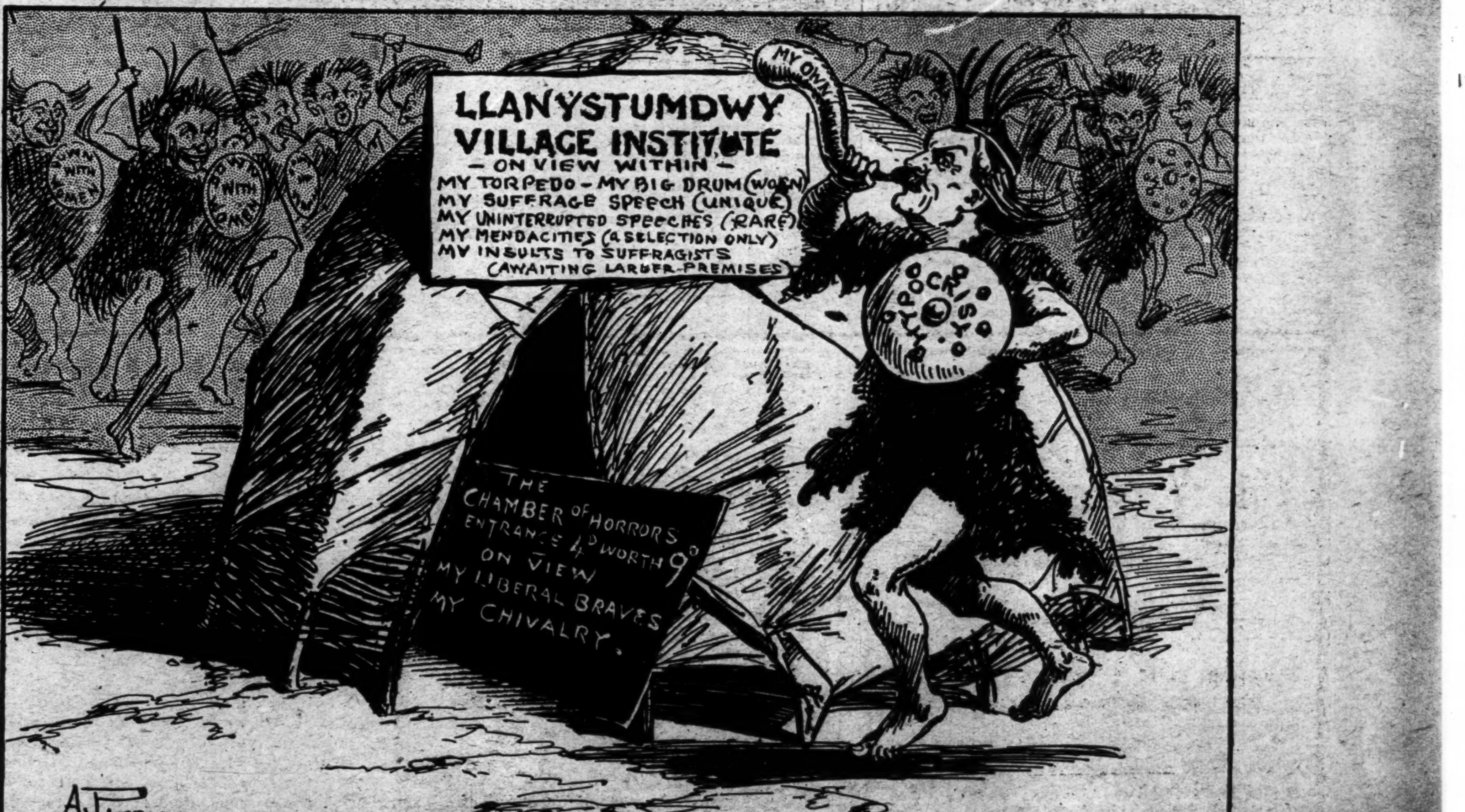
Our poster, "The Savages of Wales," was completely justified by the events at Llanystumdwy. The acts were acts of savagery. We should indeed be sorry to think that Saturday's conduct is typical of a nation which has produced so many distinguished men and women. Supposing murder had been done on Saturday? And by all accounts there would have been had not the police displayed their customary bravery. Our protest of indignation is shared by practically every newspaper in the country.—**Manchester Courier.**

Other Press comments will be found on p. 850.

"THE CHIEF MEDICINE MAN"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"The tribe of the Llanystumdwy are not mentioned in the eneyclopædia, but it is easy to deduce from their conduct that they hold women in abhorrence. . . . Missionaries should be sent to Llanystumdwy at once, but the arrest of the rioters should precede any attempt at civilisation. . . . It seems as though the chief medicine man of the Llanystumdwys anticipated punitive action."—*Robert Blatchford in "The Clarion."*

"WILKS AND LIBERTY"

Mr. Mark Wilks is still in Brixton Prison for not paying the tax of some £37 on his wife's income. Every effort is being made for his release. Letters are pouring in (and should continue to pour in) on the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, Somerset House, protesting against the injustice. Large crowds have assembled nightly at the meetings held in the neighbourhood of the prison, in Hyde Park on Sunday, at the Caxton Hall last Thursday, at the Hackney Town Hall, where Mr. Lansbury was one of the speakers, and elsewhere.

As Mr. Lansbury said in the course of his speech:—"When you have secured votes for women, this question, and other hideous questions that affect women's lives now, will be settled."

When Parliament meets next week, if Mr. Wilks is not already released, the case will be taken up by friends on both sides of the House.

A demonstration organized by the Women's Tax Resistance League will take place in Trafalgar Square on Saturday next, October 5, at 3.30. Miss Sylvia Pankhurst will be one of the speakers.

That the indignation meeting at the Caxton Hall on Thursday evening in last week was evidently "a woman's suffrage gathering" seems to have surprised the *Daily Chronicle*, which says: "it was noticeable that the presence of Mr. H. G. Chancellor, a Liberal Member of Parliament, on the platform, and one of the speakers, was not sufficient to prevent the chairman, Sir John Cockburn, Mr. Mansell-Moullin, and Mr. Shaw securing frequent applause at the Government's expense."

The meeting, which was convened by the Women's Tax Resistance League, was a crowded one, and late arrivals obtained only standing room. On the platform a large placard announced: "We demand the release of Mark Wilks," and the following was the resolution, which was carried unanimously: "That this meeting indignantly protests against the imprisonment of Mr. Mark Wilks for his inability to pay the tax on his wife's earned income, and demands his immediate release. This meeting also calls for an amendment of the existing Income Tax law, which, contrary to the spirit of the Married Women's Property Act, regards the wife's income as one with that of her husband."

Mr. Zangwill wrote expressing sympathy with the protest, and said, "Marrying an heiress may be the ruin of a man."

The chairman in his opening remarks briefly stated the circumstances of Mr. Wilks's case. Mr. Mansell-Moullin, F.R.C.S., in moving the resolution, said that he was delighted to support his colleague Dr. Elizabeth Wilks in protest against the sentence passed upon her husband. The only argument the Government had was that Mr. Mark Wilks was the property of his wife, and had been seized for the payment of her debts.

Mr. Bernard Shaw, in seconding, said that the time had now come for the men to protest. It was a mistake to suppose that Mr. Wilks was the first victim. He (Mr. Shaw) was the first victim. (Laughter.) The Government introduced some years ago a super-tax. When the Inland Revenue told him he would have to pay his wife's super-tax he replied that he did not know what her income was. He had no knowledge of, and no control over, her income. Women at the present time were completely beyond the law, although the Government had done every possible thing to make them obey the law.

Mr. Laurence Housman's clever and amusing speech has been ignored by the Press, while several papers have given prominence to Mr. Shaw's remark that he himself had "distinctly refused to join the ranks of those ignominious males who allowed themselves to be put on platforms to give assistance which was altogether unnecessary." In view of the splendid support of a number of men, several of whom were actually on the platform, this remark was somewhat unlucky, and the audience warmly applauded Mr. Housman's speech. In the course of it he said that Mr. Wilks had gone to prison for refusing to obey an entirely obsolete law, a law seldom recognised and never before enforced. Hundreds of people to-day were disobeying similar out-of-date laws (such as that which said a man must go to church on Sunday and that a woman must not wheel a perambulator on the pavement), but no one troubled about them. Other speakers were Mr. H. G. Chancellor, M.P., Mr. Herbert Jacobs, and the Rev. Fleming Williams.

"WHY NOT RELEASE MR. WILKS?"

The case of Mr. Wilks is unquestionably hard. There can be no doubt of the gross injustice of making the husband's liberty and property liable for the tax upon the wife's income over which he has no control. This piece of law is a survival of the days when legally a married woman's property not under trust belonged to her husband. This privilege of the husband having been taken away by the State, the State in common fairness should take away the liability which attached to it, a liability which clearly would enable a hostile wife to harry her husband. The sooner the law is amended the better, and in the meanwhile why not release Mr. Wilks?—**The Daily News and Leader.**

"NOT A PATCH UPON THIS!"

In all the range of theatrical burlesque there is nothing quite so madly absurd as the present law which makes a husband liable for his wife's Income Tax. The husband has no control over his wife's income. It is hers absolutely. He cannot even insist on knowing the amount of her income if she refuses to tell him. Yet he is called upon every year by the Inland Revenue authorities to declare his wife's income as well as his own, and to pay Income Tax on the two added together. If he refuses to do so he may, as Mr. Wilks has discovered, be sent to prison. No injustice from which downtrodden woman suffers is a patch upon this. The Unionists—according to some of our contemporaries—are in search of a programme. Here is a practical grievance for them to redress. Its continuance even Mr. Lloyd George would hardly defend. — **The Daily Graphic.**

From men of all parties and shades of opinion, the high-handed action of the Government in imprisoning Mr. Wilks for being unable to pay his wife's income-tax, has received the most emphatic condemnation. It is impossible on any ground to justify the Government's proceedings in this matter.—**The Globe.**

We understand that the Chancellor has agreed to receive a deputation in the imprisoned man's interests. Presumably, Mr. Wilks will be released one day, and the Government will have been beaten again singlehanded by a woman.—**Evening Standard.**

THE CHURCH AND VOTES FOR WOMEN

The Bishop of London on Militancy

It is naturally impossible to deal with the social and religious problems of to-day without referring to the Woman Suffrage movement, which alone goes to the root of these matters; so it is not surprising to find that at the opening meeting of the Church Congress last Monday evening the Bishop of London is reported to have said that "he knew that the reason why some women had joined the militant suffragists' movement was that they believed that men did not intend to alter the law affecting the White Slave Traffic."

Similarly, at Oxford, where the National Union of Women Workers is holding its annual conference this week, Canon Scott Holland, in speaking on the progress made by women since their admission to the Universities, went on to claim for them the right to have a voice in determining the laws that govern the labour market in which they have to work with men. The main bulk of the work of the world was being transferred, he said, to the shoulders of women and girls, and the movement was not being controlled or directed in any way. That was the peril of all great social movements, and it was incredible that society should throw on women's shoulders the burden of labour and not allow them the liberty of determining the conditions under which they worked. Man, he continued, still talked platitudes about the hand rocking the cradle and ruling the world, but at the same time he was calling these multitudes of women far from the side of the cradle and making his platitudes impossible.

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THE LATE MISS TWINING

(*By a Personal Friend.*)

Miss Twining's life will probably be cited as an example of how much a woman can accomplish without a vote. Her own view would differ, we believe; for that there was a need for the direct voice of women in law-making had been for years one of her strongest opinions. Her knowledge of the world and the respect in which her opinions were held, accounted for much of what she did accomplish; but the increasing power of party government had made her realise that what was possible in the days of Queen Victoria was less so now. Miss Twining was a real organiser, full of resource, and a wise thinker and worker; she had no belief in any specific of human and moral ills other than the growth of intelligence, and the *prevention* of our worst social evils by the enlightened co-operation of men and women. She did not believe that women should merely heal sores in the physical or moral world: her strong sense showed her the waste of much non-constructive work of an earlier generation.

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TWO MEN OF PRINCIPLE

Two members of the Dundee Town Council have a sense of fitness. They see farther than others; they do not keep their principles in different boxes for different occasions. On a motion to present the Prime Minister with the freedom of the city, Mr. Scrymgeour objected to the freedom of the city being conferred on Mr. Asquith because he was the most prominent representative of the party that refused to grant the franchise to the women of the country. Not long ago the Council decided to support the movement for securing votes for women, and now they were proposing to do a shameful act by contradicting that action.

Dr. Walsh, seconding, said he thought the Council would be inconsistent if they carried out this proposal to confer honour upon the most conspicuous and determined opponent of women's suffrage. Then, too, the time was inopportune. There was a great shadow over the Government through its refusal to give votes to women, and he warned them of possible disturbance, the responsibility for which would be on the Lord Provost and his advisers.

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THE CAMPAIGN AT HOLMWOOD

Organisers: Miss C. A. L. Marsh and Miss H. Gordon Liddle, 43, Howard Road, Dorking.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have returned from Canada to find the bailiffs still in possession at Holmwood. The active campaign in the district against this injustice has aroused great interest in the district, and the meetings have all been successful. When the notice of sale is given, extra meetings will be arranged so that the people may know of the disgraceful action of the Government. Contributions to the campaign are needed. Thanks to Mrs. Baxter for collecting contributions in Henfield. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Baxter, 1s.; Miss Elizabeth Robins, 10s.; Misses Allen-Brown, 4s.; Miss W. S. Harrison, 2s. 6d.; Miss H. S. Lewis, 1s.; Miss B. Comber, 1s.; Miss H. Comber, 1s.; Miss Terry, 6d.; Misses Lelacheur and Sherries, 2s. Meetings will be held at Dorking at 6.30 p.m. on October 5 and 6.

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IRISH WOMEN'S COMMITTEE FOR SECURING VOTES UNDER THE HOME RULE BILL

Sub-committees are getting to work, and members of Parliament are being approached with the object of getting their promised support for Mr. Snowden's Amendment to the Home Rule Bill. It is hoped that those Irishwomen throughout the country who have not yet sent in their names or subscriptions will do so now. Gratefully acknowledged: Miss Connell, 10s.; the Misses Oliver, 6s.; Miss Katie Connell, 10s.; P. St. John Lennox, 5s.; Miss May Connell, 10s.; Mrs. I. Smith (Chicago), £2 10s.—Hon Secs.—Miss Aileen Connor Smith, Miss Lennox, 43, Kempsford Gardens, Earl's Court, S.W.

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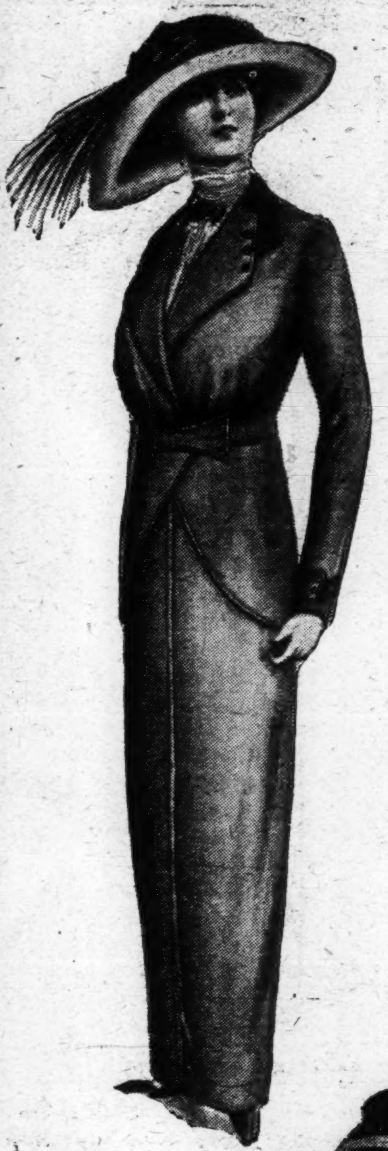

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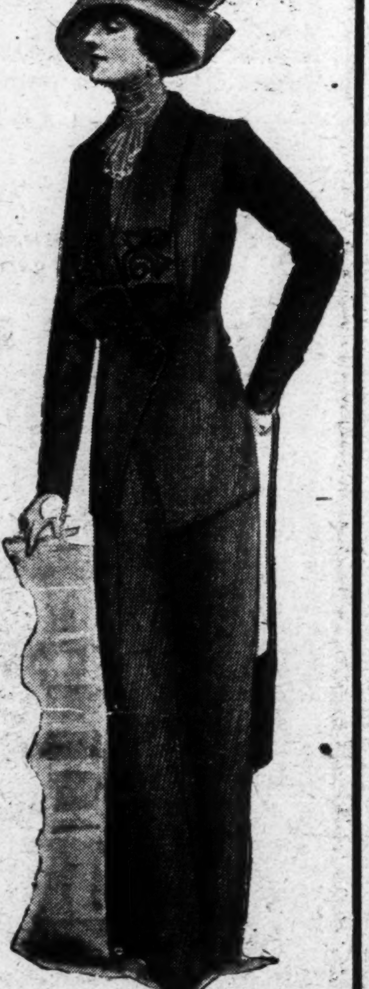

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Some twenty years ago Zola, in his novel, "Zaza," gave us a realistic picture of the courtesan in all her sordid reality. From that time may be said to have set in the revulsion of feeling from the sickly, sentimental portrayal of vice such as in Dumas' "Dame aux Camélias." This year has seen Mr. Kauffman's powerful book, and now comes Miss Jane Addams' painstaking exposure, the result of personal knowledge and investigation. No one yet has laid her investigations before the public with greater skill.

Self-restraint and entire absence of sensationalism make this book all the more telling, while the reader feels at once it is the work of a writer who thoroughly knows and understands the subject she has in hand. Miss Addams, of course, has the same story, and stories, of individuals to tell that are now only too sadly familiar to all those who take the slightest interest in the subject. But she does insist more forcibly than other writers have perhaps done on the widespread effects, through all classes of society, of the social evil. Apparently, in spite of the depravity that does exist in human nature, it is not strong enough to maintain the conditions which fill the pockets of those financially interested without a considerable amount of stimulation. General Bingham, Police Commissioner of New York, said:—

> The immorality of women and the brutishness of men have to be persuaded, coaxed, and constantly stimulated in order to keep the social evil in its state of business prosperity.

Herein lies the grave danger to which young men and women are constantly being exposed. A vast net-work of organisation is spread over all civilised countries to arouse the animal passions in humanity. Into the homes, too, of the most strict and virtuous may come the fatal race poisons engendered by the careless "sowing of wild oats," whilst alcoholism, its attendant evil, is never far distant. Such books as Miss Addams' will do much to stir up languid public opinion, and it will only be by the energetic expression of this opinion that eventually this evil will be made an impossibility. Old and deep-seated though it be, the author reminds us that the generation before us "uprooted the enormous upas of slavery, the tree that was literally as old as the race of man."

One illustration from this book will reveal to many the reason of that white heat of indignation which is burning slowly, but so surely, in the minds of thousands of them:—

> Quite recently I visited a home for semi-delinquent girls, against each one of whom stood a grave charge, involving the loss of her chastity. Upon each of the little white beds, or on one of the stiff chairs standing by its side, was a doll belonging to a delinquent owner still young enough to love and cherish this supreme toy of childhood. I had come to the home prepared "to lecture to the inmates." I remained to dress dolls, with a handful of little girls who eagerly asked questions about the dolls I had once possessed in a childhood which seemed to them so remote.

Sane, temperate, and strong, the author is to be congratulated on her work and the help it will give, in her own words, "to that army of humanity's self-pity, which is becoming slowly mobilised for a new conquest."

BOOKS RECEIVED

"The Land War in Ireland." By Wilfrid Scawen Blunt. (London: Stephen Swift and Co., Ltd. Price 10s. 6d. net.)

"My Own Times." By Lady Dorothy Nevill. (London: Methuen. Price 15s. net.)

"The Englishwoman." October. (London: Sidgwick and Jackson. Price 1s. net.)

BRAVO, JOHANNESBURG!

A correspondent sends the following notes of interest:—

1. The women of the Women's Enfranchisement League, Johannesburg, have decided to sell Votes for Women one day every week in the streets of Johannesburg.

2. A prominent member of that Society finds that the distribution of a few copies weekly of Votes for Women did more to convert members of the Dutch community, men and women, than any attempts to make them attend local meetings or listen to local speakers. This same lady, whose husband is a noted barrister, makes a practice of putting a current copy of Votes for Women into the coat pockets of the young barristers whom he frequently invites to dinner!

"IT KEEPS ALERT A TIRED WORLD"

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"A MAN'S SHARE"

The *Nation* publishes an interesting article under the title "The Claim for a Share in Life." One reads the title hopefully, and feels sure that a journal which has the reputation of being broad-minded and progressive must have something good to say on the subject. The article opens thus:—

> The new hope of social reform in this country lies in a growing agreement upon the essentials of national well being, and a determination to move towards this ideal along a number of converging paths.

Then comes a list of the paths: health, leisure, education, insurance, housing, improved transport, utilisation of natural resources, are cited as "important contributions," and, the writer adds, "public aid towards these objects is furnished by a new finance." But poverty blocks each path, and so on. It is curious and interesting, but quite true, that that exceedingly useful Visitor-From-Another-Planet for whom we all sigh at times would, after reading this article, be under the impression that the population of this country consisted exclusively of one sex. The claim, the writer explains, "is for every man a man's share of what goes on in life." True, he speaks of the family, but we have an uncomfortable feeling that he is thinking mainly of the male part of it, and that his mental vision of the group very much resembles the figures in the Noah's Arks of our childhood: Mr. Noah (or Mr. Shem, Mr. Ham, Mr. Japhet), tall, dignified, and very important; Mrs. Noah (or Mrs. Shem, Mrs. Ham, Mrs. Japhet), much smaller, rather silly, and much less necessary to the carrying on of the business of the Ark.

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But perhaps we do the writer an injustice; and after all his article is merely based upon Mr. Philip Snowden's new book, "The Living Wage." We should, however, like to feel quite certain that he means what he says when he remarks: "We have reached a time when public opinion is ripening, or ripe, for the enforcement of a minimum wage for all able-bodied adult workers, equivalent to what 25s. will buy in a large industrial town to-day." We would remind him of the average pay of thousands of adult women in this country, which works out at something considerably less than half that sum. We are glad that he thinks public opinion is ripe on this matter, and we hope he is not one of those people who seem to imagine that a married man with a family to support is entitled to higher wages than a woman who has to keep her husband, her parents, or her young brothers and sisters. The writer concludes with Mr. Snowden's words: "The labour unrest . . . is the stirrings of new life among the people. It is a demand for life, for more abundant life." It is precisely this "stirring," this demand, that is at the heart of the unrest among women to-day.

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A case in point is that of the women teachers. At Merthyr Tydvil on Saturday, in connection with the National Federation of Class Teachers, an amendment was proposed advocating equal pay for equal work. The discussion arose upon a resolution suggesting the following higher standards of salary in all primary schools: Provincial class teachers (men), minimum £90, maximum £200; (women) £80, maximum £160. Metropolitan class teachers (men), minimum £100, maximum £250; (women) minimum £90, maximum £200. Miss R. B. Holy (Bradford) moved as an amendment that the word "men" preceding minimum and the sentences beginning "women" be omitted in each paragraph. She rightly urged that quality of work, not sex, should mark the differentiation in pay. When she said, "All the arguments in favour of higher wages for men apply to women," a voice objected, "But women do not keep the men." To this Miss Holy retorted, "Neither do men keep the women," and she went on to explain that while a married man teacher had his wife to act as his housekeeper, a woman teacher had to pay a housekeeper to do the work which she could not possibly do herself. The cat began to come out of the bag when Mr. Wakelley, of Birmingham, said that better pay rather than equal pay was the more pressing need of the moment, and it hopped right out when Mr. Hickey, of Hyde, said they were not out to improve the whole of the human race! Then came Mr. Lyon, of Leeds, with the opening remark that one knows so well—"No one was a greater sympathiser with the ladies," &c. "BUT a man wants more salary because of his natural requirements; he eats more . . ." And the amendment was lost by a considerable majority.

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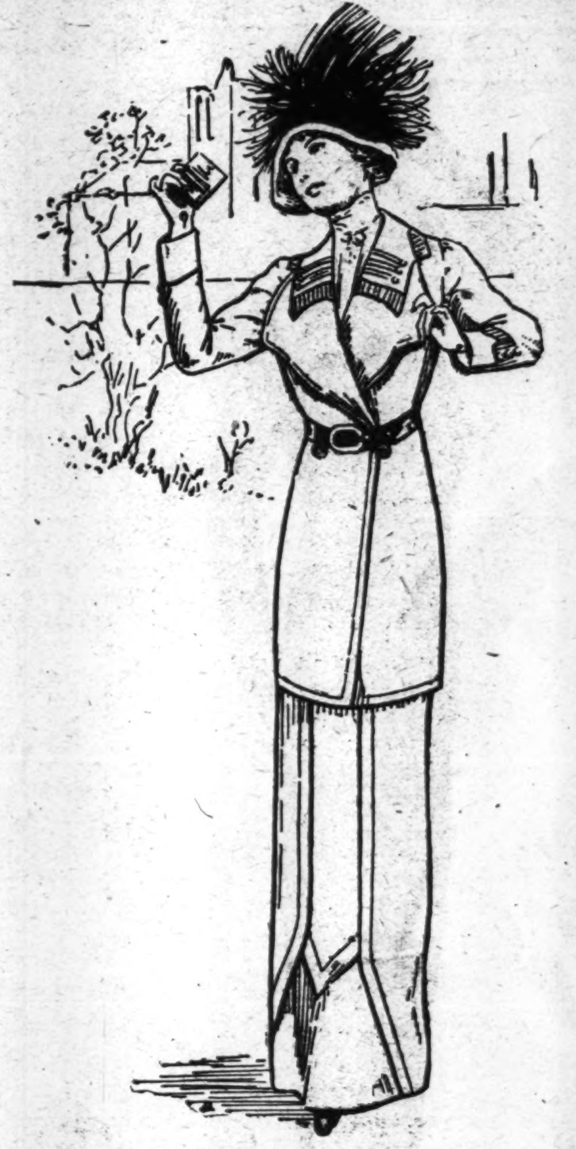

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THE LABOUR PARTY

Mr. George Lansbury, M.P., has sent to the Labour and Socialist Organisations of the country a letter in which he says that if the Government do not at once consent to assume direct responsibility for enfranchising women, the Labour Members of Parliament ought forthwith to go into opposition, voting against the Government in one division after another until they are either defeated or agree to grant Votes to Women.

Mr. Lansbury's policy is the only effective one, and we hope that by his fine lead he has demolished once and for all the feeble plan of voting merely against the third reading of the Manhood Suffrage Bill if women are not included. This "third reading policy," as we may call it for convenience, is a miserable half measure. To rely upon it is to court failure. What do its advocates expect this policy to achieve? Is it seriously supposed that the Government will surrender to a threat, which will not be carried into effect until months hence, that the Labour Members will in one single division only vote against them! Those who imagine that the Government will yield so readily are more sanguine than are we of the W.S.P.U. But if the Government's surrender is expected to be compelled by a third reading vote, why not compel that surrender by the surer and swifter means of voting against them as soon as Parliament reassembles? There need surely be no reluctance to employ this more drastic method.

Now, the fact is that the third reading policy is not enough to force the Government to grant Votes to Women. The effect that it would have is plainly to be seen. It would drive the Government to one of two alternative courses. The first of these would be to carry the "Reform" Bill as far as the third reading stage, and then to call up every available man in the Liberal and Nationalist ranks to vote for the Bill and pass it in spite of the hostile Labour votes. Once in a while, under the spur of impending danger, the Government can muster all, or virtually all, the Liberals and Nationalists in the division lobby, and then they have a majority—a small one, but still a majority—over the Labour and Unionist Members. But they could not maintain this unbroken front day after day and every day, and that is why continuous opposition by the Labour Party upon issues other than the Franchise issue is needed if the Government's resistance to Votes for Women is to be overcome. If the Labour Party were to oppose the Government only on the third reading of the "Reform" Bill, they would stake women's political fate on a single division, and if they lost would thenceforward be in the impossible and dishonouring position of supporting a Government who were promoting a Bill giving votes to men only.

The Government's second alternative, and the one most likely to be chosen, would be to drop the Manhood Suffrage Bill in order to escape all risk of being defeated at the third reading. After dropping the Manhood Suffrage Bill, they would carry the Plural Voting Bill, which has been introduced by Mr. Baker, now a Member of the Government, and has already passed its second reading. We are not alone in thinking this, as is shown by the following extract from the *Daily Chronicle* of June 16:—

> Of course, if the Woman Suffrage Amendments all failed, and the other business of the Session became unduly congested, the measure might be shortened down to a repeal of plural voting. That is, as it stands, the most urgent part of it from the standpoint of democratic justice, and as it has passed the Commons and been rejected by the Lords within the past five years, the Upper House would be on weak ground in rejecting it.

In short, what the Labour Party would accomplish by adopting the third reading policy would only be the destruction of the Manhood Suffrage Bill. Some people expect us to rejoice greatly at such a prospect, but we beg to point out that what the W.S.P.U., and we presume Suffragists in general, have set out to get is Votes for Women this Session and not merely the destruction of the Manhood Suffrage Bill. This Anti-Suffrage Liberal Government have indeed played their cards well if, by introducing the Manhood Suffrage Bill, they have caused any Suffragist to forget that to have a Votes for Women measure carried this Session is, owing to the terms of the Parliament Act, a vital necessity.

The W.S.P.U. would not pause for an instant in its fight simply because of the death of the Manhood Suffrage Bill. The Union stakes everything on getting Votes for Women carried before the Session ends.

The Labour Party's duty is quite independent of the existence of the Manhood Suffrage Bill, and if that Bill disappeared to-morrow, women would still expect the Labour Members to oppose the Government in order to compel the enfranchisement of their sex. A firm announcement, made upon the reassembling of Parliament, that the Labour Members refuse to be associated with the Government, and that they will vote steadily against them until Votes for Women becomes a Government measure, would force Mr. Asquith and Mr. Redmond to yield. Does anyone deny this? The Labour Members hold the key of the situation, and they are now called upon to decide whether they will lock the door of citizenship against women, or whether they will unlock it and let them through. Apart from what women themselves can do to influence by militancy the Government, the question of whether women, including working women, are to get votes this Session depends upon the Labour Members. This is a plain, hard fact. The Labour Party is the smallest party in Parliament, but it can dominate the situation where women's enfranchisement is concerned. Those who counsel the Labour Party against using its power to compel the introduction of a Government measure of Votes for Women are its greatest enemies.

Why should the Labour Party consent any longer to keep the Government in office without any return? Mr. Redmond, if challenged to show the result of his support of the Government, can point to the Home Rule Bill. The Labour Members can point to nothing. The Government's method is calmly to exploit the Labour Members. They expect their unconditional adherence, and have framed their programme for the Session in cool defiance of Labour principles and demands. Yet it is admitted by Liberals, and by the Nationalists too, that the Labour Members have the power to bring the career of the Government to a sudden end. This they can do without that increase in their numbers for which they have striven at recent by-elections.

To sum the matter up—the Labour Party can, by pursuing the anti-Government policy favoured by Mr. Lansbury, win Votes for Women. Fortune has given to this little band of forty-one Members the power to achieve the greatest single act of emancipation in all human history. What if they prefer to neglect this opportunity of human service and of party advantage! What if they prefer to keep the Government in office without demanding and securing women's enfranchisement in return! Well, then, they become indistinguishable from the Government, whose allies they are, and for whose existence and policy they are responsible. Not even Labour Members can serve two masters. They cannot serve at one and the same time a principle and the Government who deny that principle.

Militant Suffragists are nothing if not self-reliant, and they are resolved to fight until they win, though all the men's political parties should be ranged against them. The militants know no illusions. They see that the Government's "offer" in connection with the Manhood Suffrage Bill is a sham and a fraud. They are aware that the Labour Party may continue its present unconditional support of the Government. Yet, seeing the whole truth of the situation, the militants are full of hope. No three-headed Coalition can ever break the spirit of Mary Leigh and Gladys Evans, and the many other such women who are to be found in the ranks of the W.S.P.U. Who would be free, herself must strike the blow. Hackneyed words, but the truest ever written!

Christabel Pankhurst.

THE LAW RELATING TO INHERITANCE AND DEVOLUTION AS IT AFFECTS WOMEN

By H. Musk Beattie

PART I.

Modern English law, as exemplified by the Married Women's Property Acts, 1882 and 1890, has done much to improve the position of women as regards their rights of property in general; but the state of the law in relation to inheritance, devolution, intestacy, and kindred subjects, as they affect women, is still very far from satisfactory. Indeed, in modern times that branch of the law has become very much worse from the point of view of women.

Marriage, under the Common Law, operated as an absolute alienation of the wife's personal property to her spouse, and gave him an interest in her realty (i.e., land and houses) for his and her joint lives, or if entitled as tenant by the Curtesy of England (which is hereafter referred to), an estate for his own life. And if one has regard to the social conditions in those early days, this transfer of the wife's property to her husband was not such an injustice as it would from a superficial examination appear. In those days there was scarcely such a thing as personal property, even among men. Very few women brought any property to their husbands at their marriage, except their apparel and a few articles of personal adornment; whilst the duty of maintaining his wife and the family fell exclusively upon the husband. The wife contributed nothing to the family expenses, and the husband was liable for her debts and in damages for any wrongs done by her. It appeared, therefore, not unnatural that the husband should appropriate any small portion of personal property brought by her at, or acquired by her after, the marriage, as an indemnity for his liability.

In other respects also the wife was entirely subject to her husband, but, as has been remarked, "the disabilities thus entailed upon her doubtless protected the wife from many difficulties and hardships which in the rough days of civil commotion might otherwise have befallen her."

Land, largely because it was often owned by females, the interests of whose heirs was religiously safeguarded, and also in consequence of the incidence of the feudal system, with its numerous profitable services, was placed upon a different footing, and the husband never took a greater than a life interest in it. He took that much because he had to perform feudal services in his wife's stead, but he did not take the inheritance or fee, because that would have meant a breach in the line of descent indicated by the original disposition, and might also have prejudiced the privileges of the superior lord.

The tendency of modern legislation (largely as the result of the change in public opinion wrought by the labours of the earlier advocates of Women's Suffrage) has been to place husband and wife on an equality in respect of each other's property. Under the Married Women's Property Act, 1882, all the property of a married woman is, and remains, her own absolutely; but that Act contains no indication of an intention to exclude the rights of the husband as regards the devolution of the wife's property on her intestacy, as will be shown hereafter. The statutory separate use is exhausted by the termination of the coverture; in other words, by the death of the wife. And although the position of married women with regard to the acquisition, holding, and disposition of their property has been vastly improved by the Acts referred to, yet there is nothing in these Acts to ameliorate the position of a married woman with relation to the devolution of property, either on her own intestacy or upon the death of her husband. In fact, the combined effect of the Dower Act, 1883 (which will be referred to hereafter) and the Wills Act, 1837, has been entirely retrogressive as regards its effect upon the rights of married women.

From the earliest Saxon times wives possessed the right of dower, which, it is said, took its origin in the desire of the Common Law to provide for widows in the days when personal property was of very little value, and real property could not be disposed of by will; and under which a wife was entitled to a provision amounting to one-third out of her deceased husband's estates. Littleton defines this right thus: "Tenant in dower is where a man is seised of certain lands and tenements in fee simple, fee-tail general, and as heir in special tail, and taketh a wife and dieth, the wife, after the decease of her husband shall be endowed of the third part of such lands and tenements as were her husband's at any time during the coverture, to have and to hold to the same wife in severalty by metes and bounds for term of her life." Thus, if at any time during the subsistence of the marriage the husband became solely seised of any estate of inheritance in lands to which any issue which his wife might have had could have been heir, she became immediately entitled, on his decease, to have assigned to her one-third of those lands, which she was to enjoy during her life. This right attached to the land, and accompanied it even if it were conveyed away, or devised by will, by the husband; so that no husband could possibly dispossess his wife of her dower rights, unless by her formal assent signified in a proper legal manner—though, of course, she might forfeit it by her own conjugal infidelity.

Such was the state of the law from those very early days until the passing of the Dower Act in 1833. In view of the difficulty of freeing the land from dower, even where a wife was willing (a number of highly complicated and expensive fictitious forms of alienation, now obsolete, such as Fines and Recoveries, having to be resorted to), a married woman possessed a certainty of provision far more satisfactory than that possessed by married women since the passing of the Dower Act, especially in cases of a husband's intestacy. By the last-named Act the right to Dower was in effect abolished, and into the hands of the husbands has been put full power to regulate, or put an end to the interest of his wife in his lands. This Act, like many another, gave with one hand what it immediately afterwards took away with the other hand. It made widows entitled to dower out of equitable as well as legal estates—an innovation—and, looked at alone, an improvement; but the wife's interests, which were enlarged by this provision, were for all practical purposes considerably curtailed by the succeeding sections. Thus it was by the same statute provided that if a husband absolutely disposed, either in his lifetime or by will, of land out of which his wife would otherwise have been entitled to dower, that disposition should defeat her right to dower. And it has been decided that a mere contract to sell, as distinct from an actual conveyance, is also a bar to dower, equity deeming done that which is contracted to be done. The Act also made valid and effectual every estate and interest of a third party in the husband's land, and all charges created thereon by deed or will, and all debts, incumbrances, contracts, and engagements to which his land should be liable, as against the right of his widow to dower. And it was also provided that a mere declaration in any deed or will relating to the land in question should be sufficient to bar dower. The right was also made subject to any restrictions in the will, and a gift by will to the wife of any land out of which she is dowable defeats her right to dower. That is to say, if a husband owned considerable property out of which his wife was entitled to dower, and he devised to her by will only an infinitesimal part of it, that devise would bar her right to dower out of the whole of his dowable property. And where a husband leaves by will to his widow the income of part of the proceeds of sale of property given to trustees in trust for sale, the gift of such income is also enough to deprive the widow of her dower.

It will thus be seen that the wife's dower is placed almost at the mercy of her husband. If he conveys away the property by deed in his lifetime, or makes a will giving it all to some other person, there is nothing in the law to prevent his widow being left unprovided for; whilst, as has been stated, a mere declaration by deed that his widow, if any, should not be entitled to dower out of the land in question, is sufficient.

The result of this enactment, notwithstanding, and, in fact, because of the facilities given by modern law to husbands for will-making, is to substitute for a certainty of receiving one-third of the property for life (which right can only be lost by a woman's own misconduct or consent), a possibility merely, not as of right, but as of favour of her husband, of obtaining under his will all, or none, or such part as his caprice may determine, of his real estate.

With regard to husbands dying intestate and childless, the law has within the last twenty-five years been so altered that the whole of a man's real and personal estate, where its net value does not exceed £500, goes to his widow, as will be subsequently noted.

MESSAGE FROM MR. AND MRS. PETHICK LAWRENCE

Dear Friends,—You will understand the great happiness it gives us to be in our own country once more, fully restored to health and ready to take part again with you in the great battle for human liberty. We congratulate you on the splendid fight you have carried on in our absence. On our arrival we learn with amazement the confirmation of the rumour that while we have been in Canada Government burglars have entered our private house, with intent to steal our belongings. To such underhand methods of fighting a political adversary our answer is open defiance.

FREDERICK AND EMMELINE PETHICK LAWRENCE.

Fishguard, Wednesday, Oct. 2.

MR. LANSBURY'S LETTER

TO LABOUR ORGANISATIONS

[*This letter is dealt with in our leading article this week.*]

The Reform Bill and Votes for Women

Dear Comrade,—May I venture to appeal to you to bring to the notice of your members the imperative need of speedy action in connection with the question of women and the vote? I do so because it is my firm conviction that the labour and socialist movement in our country has the power to at once end a position of affairs which if left alone may, and in my opinion will, develop into one of the greatest catastrophes of our time, namely, a Sex War.

Already deeds of violence committed by women as gentle and good as our mothers and wives have been and are being committed. Two working-class women have been and one still is fighting a terrible fight in a Dublin prison, being slowly tortured to death or insanity by forcible feeding and all its accompanying revolting cruelty. Other women are determined to carry on the fight. The reason for all this is that these women have lost all faith in political parties and the word and pledge of party leaders.

A large and growing number still have faith in our Labour Movement, and now is the moment to prove our loyalty. We want such an agitation amongst Trade Unions, branches of the I.L.P. and B.S.P. as will ensure that the Labour Party shall *at once* tell Mr. Asquith that the present Reform Bill must be withdrawn and a new one including women substituted; it is no use our trusting to Private Members' amendments. As everyone knows, they have very little chance if the Government Whips send the word round against them. Unless the Government accede to this demand, the Labour Members of Parliament ought to withdraw support from the Government and go into opposition, voting against the Government in one division after another until they are either defeated or agree to grant votes to women. There is little doubt that in their anxiety to retain office, the Government would choose Votes for Women rather than defeat.

Now we men who in our Movement have asked for and obtained the support of women, should realise that if we want the misery and suffering which follows militant tactics to cease, then we must show the women by deeds that we intend taking our stand with them. The women can't fight with votes—we can do so, and I believe if we take our stand now we can bring the whole question to such a position as to secure Votes for Women in this session of Parliament; the Labour Party will be disgraced for ever if it keeps in office a so-called Liberal Government guilty of cheating women of the vote. Therefore, I earnestly beg of you to urge your members to pass the following resolution and send it at once to the Prime Minister, Mr. J. R. Macdonald, Mr. Bonar Law, Mr. John Redmond, and to your local M.P., and also to the Press. Let us each do our best by every means in our power to rouse public opinion and action at once.—I remain, faithfully yours,

GEORGE LANSBURY.

The resolution referred to in Mr. Lansbury's letter is as follows:—

The —— Branch of the ——., being determined that the political enfranchisement of the women workers shall be granted without delay, condemns the Government for introducing a Franchise Bill for men only, repudiates the sham pledges by which the Government are trying to trick the advocates of Votes for Women, protests against the Government which is guilty of such a policy being kept in power by the aid of Labour Votes—and finally calls upon the Labour Members of Parliament to vote constantly and relentlessly against the Government from now onwards until they have either driven them from office or compelled them to introduce and carry a proposal giving votes to women on equal terms with men.

WHAT THE COUNTRY THINKS OF LLANYSTUMDWY

"Nothing could have advanced their cause like this brutality on the part of their opponents."—*Evening Standard.*

The whole country indignantly repudiates the behaviour of the Llanystumdwy audience. Amid all the letters in to-day's papers it is very rare to find one which even excuses the cowardly violence. The unfortunate ladies that were so roughly handled have, on the other hand, the supreme satisfaction of knowing that nothing could have advanced their cause like this brutality on the part of their opponents.—**Evening Standard.**

Is lynch law to be tolerated in this country? Is it to become a standard of justice among the British people that, because a misguided and probably hysterical woman interrupts Mr. Lloyd George's eloquence with a shout of "Votes for Women," mob law shall promptly sentence her to be bitten, struck, almost stripped, and nearly killed by a crowd of hooligans? For this is the position created by the treatment of the Suffragettes at Mr. Lloyd George's gathering near Criccieth on Saturday. The more realistic photographs taken of that scene are unprintable in a decent paper. The whole affair is a ghastly anti-climax to our superior condemnations of lynch law in America. In the States, at all events, this sort of flagrant brutality is only exercised towards people who are supposed to be guilty of the most serious crimes. The "Suffragette scenes" in Wales have disgraced the good name of the people. We speak only for common humanity. The fact that these desperate and wrong-headed fanatics break the law, and dare to shout at Mr. Lloyd George at a Welsh meeting, is no reason why they should be brutally ill-treated by a crowd which has lost its humanity and its senses even more than the militant women have lost their perspective in political propaganda. Even a criminal is entitled to police protection. But these Suffragettes could hardly have been worse treated if they had attempted to murder the Chancellor. We hope Mr. Lloyd George's friends are thoroughly ashamed of themselves. The rest of the country certainly is ashamed of them. The news of what happened at Llanystumdwy on Saturday has caused a great revulsion of sympathy throughout the country for these women. Let us by all means deal with the modern law-breakers by the law as severely as they deserve. But lynch law against women! Rather are the hooligans themselves more fitting subjects for such treatment. And in this connection is it not possible for the police to identify some of the brutes who tore women's hair from their heads and their clothes from their shoulders; the men—save the mark!—who struck pinioned women in the face? Suffragettes, to give them the name by which militants are popularly known, after all, are not fair game in a mad hunt by men more hysterical than themselves. The baiting of these women had already gone far enough prior to Saturday's outbreak, showing that the Welsh mobs are not any worse than the English, the Scotch, or the Irish. But they are no better. Where has the manhood of the British people lost itself?—**Liverpool Daily Courier.**

Our North Wales representative states: The young men of the village and neighbourhood made no secret of their intention, in the event of any women in the name of the suffrage movement causing a disturbance during the ceremony, to carry them to the river and dip them in. The river through the village had been dammed up to give a sufficient depth of water, and it is said that a trawl had been brought from Pwllheli to fish the women out with if necessary. That this form of punishment for their offence was premeditated, the cries of "To the river with them!" which were raised in the crowd also indicated, and it would have been carried out but for the activity of the police in protecting the women and getting them to a place of safety.—**Liverpool Evening Express.**

Few people can have read the reports of the proceedings at Mr. Lloyd George's native village on Saturday without being disgusted at the brutality of the treatment of a number of women and girls. Their interruptions were of the mildest character, such interjections as are quite common at political meetings in all parts of the country. The women did not carry on a fusillade of interruptions and insulting remarks such as Conservative speakers in York are often assailed with by Radicals. The women were not likely to disconcert a practised speaker like the Chancellor of the Exchequer by their harmless exclamations about "Votes for women." Yet they were set upon and almost torn limb from limb. The mob behaved more like Red Indians or maniacs than human beings, and the unfortunate women were in most cases treated worse than if they had been mad dogs. The irony of it is that all this was done in the name of democracy, freedom, toleration, and Liberalism. What a mockery! — **Yorkshire Herald.**

Men of all parties will agree in strong condemnation of the violent handling of woman suffragists by the crowd at Llanystumdwy on Saturday. The incident is a reproach to the manhood of Wales. We hope there will be no repetition of such a scene under whatever provocation; and we hope it may be found possible to bring the miscreants who were responsible for the outrage to justice. — **Yorkshire Observer.**

We confess to a feeling of nausea when we read of the tortures of forcible feeding and of the fury of the crowd. The women who "hold up" a meeting to the annoyance of the audience may be crazy, ill-balanced, ill-advised, but they are none the less women, and, however misguided, honest, respectable women. They are the same class of women as our mothers, wives, and sweethearts. So far as we know they are not moral transgressors. For the outrages perpetrated on them there can be no possible excuse. It is sheer brutality. Where is our sense of chivalry? Are these things the fruits of civilisation and culture and education? — **Birmingham Gazette.**

When she (Mrs. Watson) reached the railway station the guard put her in the brake van, warning her that she must not enter a carriage, since the hair which was torn from her head was being distributed among the men passengers as a souvenir. It is time that Mr. Lloyd George provided an institute at Llanystumdwy, if this story is true.—**Irish Times.**

The outrageous violence of the Welsh mob and the sheer brutality that the villagers displayed to the Suffragettes are indefensible from any point of view.— **The Graphic.**

Even those who are most keenly opposed to votes for women and most digusted with militant methods, will strongly disapprove of the scenes enacted during Mr. Lloyd George's visit to Llanystumdwy. In this country mob violence, whether directed against individuals or against the State, always meets with the strongest condemnation, and no amount of provocation can excuse the strong from taking summary vengeance upon the weak. Striking offenders who are already in the custody of the police is a form of cowardice that has very seldom shown itself in England, and while we cannot suppose that the fate of the Suffragettes at Llanystumdwy will have the effect of shaking in the least the opposition to the cause which they advocate, it will most certainly lead self-respecting Englishmen fervently to thank heaven that they are not Welshmen.— **The Court Journal.**

"Her hair was pulled out in bunches, she was struck repeated blows, and when on the ground she was trampled upon. . . . Another woman who interjected a remark was dragged to a hedge and flung over it." This is the Central News description of Welshmen's manners at Llanystumdwy, not of the doings of Bashi Bazouks in Bulgaria. Mr. Lloyd George led the singing of "Land of our Fathers." Wales appears to be no place for our mothers. Gallant little Wales!—**The Rialto.**

A GOOD POINT

In the course of a letter to the *Daily Herald* headed "Chivalry: A Quaint Conceit of Mankind," Miss Margaret E. Hill, B.Sc., writes:—"For these horrible happenings are only startling to us because we are not used to them. Violent and indecent assaults on women are of frequent occurrence in this country, but they are not displayed in the picture paper, nor do they affright the social conscience. Surely it was the vision of these things that nerved the women who exposed themselves to a furious mob, that made them glad to suffer outrages to focus public opinion on their grievances."

THE NATION "REGRETS"

We regret to record that the opening of the village institute at Llanystumdwy by Mr. Lloyd George was marked by a gross display of brutality towards a number of Suffragettes, who interrupted Mr. George by calling out "Votes for women." The following scene was a disgrace to Welsh Liberalism. Welsh crowds have already earned a bad distinction for their behaviour to these women, but this conduct exceeds all bounds.—**The Nation.**

A WELL-KNOWN WRITER'S VIEW

My sympathy always goes out to anybody who is down and who is being kicked by everybody. As the Suffragette is down just now and is being kicked by nearly everybody, I cannot for the life of me help standing over her prostrate body. If I get some of the kicks intended for her, I must grin and bear them. . . . As long as a woman is denied the right to make laws she is an outlaw and not a citizen. If I were a woman I should contest the validity of any law made by men. I should feel myself justified in breaking any law made by men. . . . As long as women are outlaws law is simply a form of slavery maintained by brute force. What is the difference between a woman and a dog? So far as citizenship is concerned a dog is exactly equal to a woman. . . . We must make up our minds to do one of two things. We must either make women citizens by giving them the vote, or we must coerce them as we coerce horses, cattle, sheep, pigs, and dogs. . . .
—**Extracts from an Article by Mr. James Douglas, in "London Opinion."**

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THE WOMEN'S FIGHT IN IRELAND

In Ireland, while treason-mongers who have votes are allowed to go free, rebel women who have none are not only thrown into prison, but are submitted to outrage and torture when there. Mrs. Leigh, though making a slow and gradual progress towards recovery, is still prostrate with weakness as a result of her recent prison treatment. Miss Gladys Evans, to the lasting shame of the Government, is still in Mountjoy Prison, and is still being forcibly fed. Because she is physically able to endure a little more torture than her late fellow-prisoner, Miss Evans is presumably to be allowed to approach still nearer to the gates of death before release puts an end to her sufferings. The reports we print below of indignation meetings held in Dublin, and the extracts given from Press correspondence in the *British Medical Journal* and elsewhere are sufficient evidence of the fact that neither in England nor in Ireland is public opinion on the side of a Government that tortures women for insisting on their political rights.

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IN DUBLIN

Miss Gladys Hazel, the W.S.P.U. Organiser in Dublin, was arrested on Saturday on a charge of obstruction while giving out handbills on College Green. She was released on bail until Wednesday morning, when the case was dismissed.

On Sunday Mrs. Drummond addressed a meeting in Phœnix Park. Until women got the vote, said Mrs. Drummond, they would not allow any Cabinet Minister to hold a meeting in peace, and when a Cabinet Minister came to Dublin again she hoped the people of Dublin would support them.

Superintendent Flynn, D.M.P., intervened here, and told Mrs. Drummond that she would be removed if she continued speaking in this strain.

"What is the matter?" inquired Mrs. Drummond.

"You are inciting to crime," replied the police officer.

Mrs. Drummond: "I'm told I'm inciting to crime. Why not play the game fairly? Why should I be stopped and Sir Edward Carson allowed to go scot free?" (Cheers.)

"We are going to make a big fight for the release of Miss Gladys Evans," went on Mrs. Drummond, "and in that struggle we hope to be assisted by the people of Dublin."

Thousands of people assembled and stood listening with the keenest interest. A lively question time when the speaking was over showed how real the interest was. A great number of Votes for Women were again sold.

During last week meetings were held out of doors in different parts of Dublin, and on Saturday a meeting was held at Kingstown. Everywhere the speakers' experiences have been the same; the crowds are invariably sympathetic, and they are very large crowds. The "man in the street" in Dublin seems to be asking, as he is asking everywhere now, "And why wouldn't they be having a vote?" The wonderful courage of Mrs. Leigh and the terrible treatment she has received go straight home to their hearts and imaginations in this country of political oppressions.

LORD ABERDEEN APPROACHED

The correspondent of the *Times*, writing from Dublin on September 26, says:—

"The Irish Women's Franchise League has again approached the Lord Lieutenant to secure first-class prison treatment for Miss Evans, the English Suffragist, in Mountjoy Prison. A letter from the League to his Excellency concludes with the following threat:—

"'Should you continue to ignore the appeal of Irish public opinion we shall see that the matter is raised not only upon the re-opening of Parliament, but at Irish public functions whenever your Excellency appears as representative head of an Irish executive that authorises the torture of political offenders.'"

The *Times* adds:—

"As a precaution against Suffragist attacks special constables of the Dublin Metropolitan police are being placed on duty at the Government offices and public institutions in Dublin."

The following appears in the *Freeman's Journal* of October 1:—"Suffragettes made a demonstration last night during the delivery of an address in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal Dublin Society, which was attended by their Excellencies the Lord Lieutenant and the Countess of Aberdeen. . . . Mrs. Palmer, a member of the Women's Franchise Committee, rose in one of the benches behind the Vice-regal party as the Lord Lieutenant was about to rise, and interrupted. It was not possible to hear exactly all the lady said, but she did say, 'Shame on you, Lord Aberdeen!' The rest was drowned by cries of 'Put her out!' The lady then walked out in front of the lecturer's table in a slow, stately, self-possessed fashion. The Lord Lieutenant, who had risen to move a vote of thanks to the lecturer, touched her gently on the shoulder as she passed and said he quite understood how strong her feeling were, and appreciated the temperate manner in which she had given expression to them."

FORCIBLE FEEDING

The correspondence on forcible feeding in the *British Medical Journal* is continued this week by Dr. A. G. Bateman, who says that a prison doctor is deemed by virtue of his appointment to be a constable. It is, therefore, an official duty to prevent a prisoner from doing any felonious act; and to attempt to commit suicide by starvation is a felony.

He proceeds to say that with respect to prisoners requiring forcible feeding he deals with them *as he deals with private patients* who decline to take their food. We would ask A. G. Bateman if he has ever heard of a private patient being tied into a chair?

In the same issue (September 28), Dr. H. B. Hanson asks: "Do the medical profession wish to have it understood that they reserve to themselves the right—if they believe it to be for the good of the patient—to carry out on sane adult individuals, against their wishes and those of their friends, proceedings at once dangerous and painful?

". . . In all but asylum cases (where endless notes and reports rightly safeguard the interests of the patients as much as possible) a person is able to terminate the ministrations of his physician at his pleasure; this is not the case in prison: he must be treated willy-nilly, it is in camera, with no friends present to witness what is done, and the doctor concerned has, in the nature of the case, no private practice to suffer if he persists in treating his patients in a manner—'dangerous' and 'painful' to boot—that such patients deplore. This is a condition of things against which, now it is brought to their notice, it seems to me that it would be in keeping with high medical ideals for the profession to protest. It is a matter of indifference whether the patient is Tom Mann or Sir Edward Carson, a quaker or an anarchist, an angel suffering for humanity, or a player to the gallery. This is a matter for the profession to discuss apart from any political consideration.

"Some of the laity, with that habit of loose thinking—so tenacious where medical issues are at stake—have been heard to say, 'Serve 'em right.' That may be. But if treatment involving 'pain' and 'danger' is to be meted out as punishment, the dose should be prescribed by the magistrate, and most certainly not administered by the doctor, whose mission in prison is distinct from that of a disciplinarian. Let the Home Secretary and suffragists fight it out between them without medical interference."

On a par with these savage outbursts of the crowd we class the disgusting process of forcible feeding, which the release of Mrs. Leigh brings to the front again. . . . The forcible feeding of highly-strung women is a torturous proceeding worthy of the Middle Ages when the rack and the thumbscrew did their devilish work. To release prisoners after having half-killed them with compulsory feeding is plainly wrong. Neither is it right to release one convicted of a serious crime because he or she goes in for "a hunger strike." . . . We have no moral or legal right to torture women by feeding them forcibly. The proper course, says "G. B. S."—and we agree—is to leave the will of the prisoners free, provide food, and let them either eat or take the responsibility of starvation upon themselves. If they die, they die. Better death that way than death by torture.—**Birmingham Gazette.**

Forcible feeding is no remedy against voluntary starvation. It has the double disadvantage of failing to nourish the body and at the same time increasing the distaste for food. . . . The moral is that forcible feeding must be abandoned. . . . To put the matter plainly, if a prisoner chooses to commit suicide by starvation, refusing to eat food offered to her, he or she must be permitted to do so. Mrs. Leigh has demonstrated that this is the only reply to the hunger strike, and the Government will be inexcusably weak if they do not insure that it is made in future.—**The Birmingham Post.**

Such an abject confession of failure to govern has not hitherto been made even in the case of the Suffragettes. . . . Victory again lies with the Suffragettes, and victory which cannot fail to have serious effects. If deeds such as those perpetrated at Dublin can be performed with comparative impunity, then the outlook is indeed one to make law-abiding citizens pause. . . . Now the Irish prison authorities practically admit that they have nearly killed Mrs. Leigh in their efforts to keep her alive, and that any further attempts on their part would probably be fatal. Such a confession is in itself a weapon which the Suffragettes will well know how to handle, but it is also one more condemnation of the entire wrongness of the course the Government has adopted in this matter, for forcible feeding is a huge mistake. — **Birmingham Daily Mail.**

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

The *Eastern Morning News* of September 28 says that "whatever responsibility there be for the detention of Suffragette prisoners with forcible feeding, it must rest primarily upon Mr. Birrell, as Chief Secretary, and not on the Lord Lieutenant, whose position more nearly approximates in Ireland to that of the Sovereign in England."

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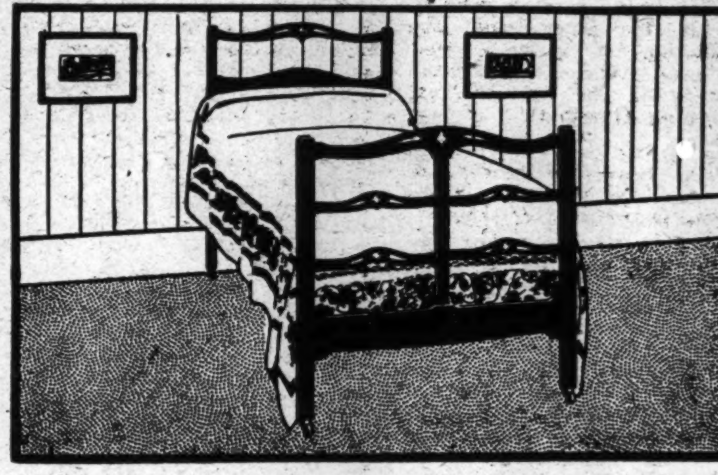

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MR. ASQUITH

To the Editors of Votes for Women.

Dear Editors,—We think it may interest you to hear that Mr. Asquith—during his stay in Venice—has not been beyond the reach of the W.S.P.U. We felt he might be lonely without those attentions which he is so accustomed to receive at our hands, so we left him a copy of Votes for Women at his hotel, and sent him the following postcard: "Members of the W.S.P.U. are here in Venice, to remind you that you can have no peace until you make Woman Suffrage a Government measure, and no freedom until Gladys Evans has the rights of a political prisoner in Mountjoy Prison. We hope to see you and impress these facts still further upon you."

The next day he received a registered packet containing a small box, daintily tied with W.S.P.U. ribbon, and inscribed "Your Justice, Honour and Humanity." We need not describe to you the utter emptiness of that box!

By a curious fatality—or with the deliberate intention of attracting Cabinet Ministers—many of the shops in Venice are decked in purple, white, and green, so that Mr. Asquith's walks must be as uneasy as we would have them be. He has been seen to start in dismay at the sight of a purple hat bending above his gondola, and it is no surprise to us to learn that he is heavily guarded by the police.—Yours, &c.,

Z. P.
D. R.

Venice, September 28, 1912.

[According to the *Aberdeen Journal* Mr. Asquith travelled as "Mr. Smith" to escape from suffragists.]

TO AYLESBURY PRISONERS.

To the Editors of Votes for Women.

Dear Sir,—We are all anxious that the collection at the Albert Hall meeting on October 17 shall be a record one. It has been suggested that a purse should be presented on behalf of the Suffragettes who were in Aylesbury Prison, and I shall be glad to receive contributions at Lincoln's Inn House.—Yours, &c.,

C. A. L. Marsh.

A GOOD STORY.

The following story is going the round of the papers: "A Swiss Suffragist who was ejected from a room at Andelfingen, where she had disturbed the communal council meeting, locked the door and disappeared with the key, leaving the councillors shut in for four hours."

MEN'S POLITICAL UNION
For Women's Enfranchisement

Splendid propaganda work is being done at the "Mark Wilks" Protest Meetings near Brixton Prison. Thanks to Miss Rogers, Miss Jacobs, Mr. Franklin, and Mr. Furniss for their help as speakers and to members and friends who acted as banner-bearers. Will members bear in mind that meetings will be held near Brixton Prison on Wednesdays and Fridays and on alternate Mondays until Mr. Mark Wilks' release. Speakers and banner-bearers needed. Mr. Casson and Miss M. Wright addressed large audience in Hyde Park last Sunday. Mr. Shaw, Miss E. Duval, and Mrs. Shaw had interested audience in Wandsworth on Monday, September 23. Will members and friends keep free from other engagements Friday, November 8, when a welcome will be given in the Kensington Town Hall to Mr. Pethick Lawrence and Mr. Charles Gray. Full particulars will appear next week. For meetings, see programme. Already acknowledged, £1,659 4s. 3d.; Lady Constance Lytton, £1; W. Boulting, Esq., 1s.; C. Pownall, Esq., 5s.; J. F. R. Stobies, Esq., 1s. 6d.; membership fees, 5s.; total, £1,660 16s. 9d.—(Hon. Sec.—Mr. Victor Duval. Office—13, Buckingham Street, Strand.)

THE ACTRESSES' FRANCHISE LEAGUE

First public At Home of season of Actresses' Franchise League will be held at Criterion Restaurant on Friday, October 4, at 3 p.m., when Miss Evelyn Sharp, Mr. Baillie-Weaver, and Professor Bickerton will be speakers. Chair will be taken by Miss May Whitty, and Miss Marie Tempest will be the hostess on this occasion. Members and friends specially asked to be present, as autumn arrangements will be announced.—(Org. Sec.—Miss Conolan. Offices—2, Robert Street, Strand.)

IRISH WOMEN'S FRANCHISE LEAGUE

Usual weekly meeting was held at Phœnix Park on Saturday at 4 p.m., when Mrs. Connery was chief speaker. Mrs. Emerson told story of Miss Gladys Hazel's arrest, of which she was a witness, and the indignation of the audience was manifest at the injustice of it. New members were enrolled, and an encouraging collection taken. The first indoor meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 8, and free meetings will then be held every Tuesday evening during winter at 8 p.m., to which members and visitors are cordially invited. A Jumble Sale will be held before end of month, and friends are requested to send in articles for it at once. Open-air meetings will be continued in Park as long as weather remains fine.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. E. Cousins. Office—Antient Concert Buildings, Great Brunswick Street, Dublin.)

IRISH WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE SOCIETY

Members are requested to attend Monday, October 7, in office. Tickets for meeting in Central Hall, Rosemary Street, on October 16—speaker, the Rev. Claude Hinscliff—1s. each, from Sec. Annual meeting on November 1 in office.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Bennett. Office—27, Donegall Place, Belfast.)

THE NEW CONSTITUTIONAL SOC. FOR W.S.

A reception will be given to Mrs. Chapman by the New Constitutional Society on Monday, November 18, at Medical Society's Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W., at 8.45 p.m. Suffragists will be glad of this opportunity to welcome Mrs. Chapman back amongst them after her long illness. At next office At Home, on Tuesday, October 8, the Rev. F. M. Green and Mrs. Wallace Atkins will speak. Contributions for Jumble Sale, which will be held last week in October, urgently needed, and should be sent in at once to office.—(President—Mr. Cecil Chapman. Office—8, Park Mansions Arcade, Knightsbridge, opposite Tube Station.)

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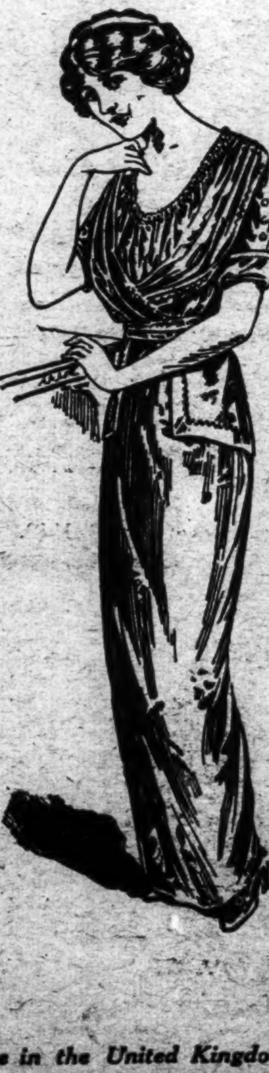

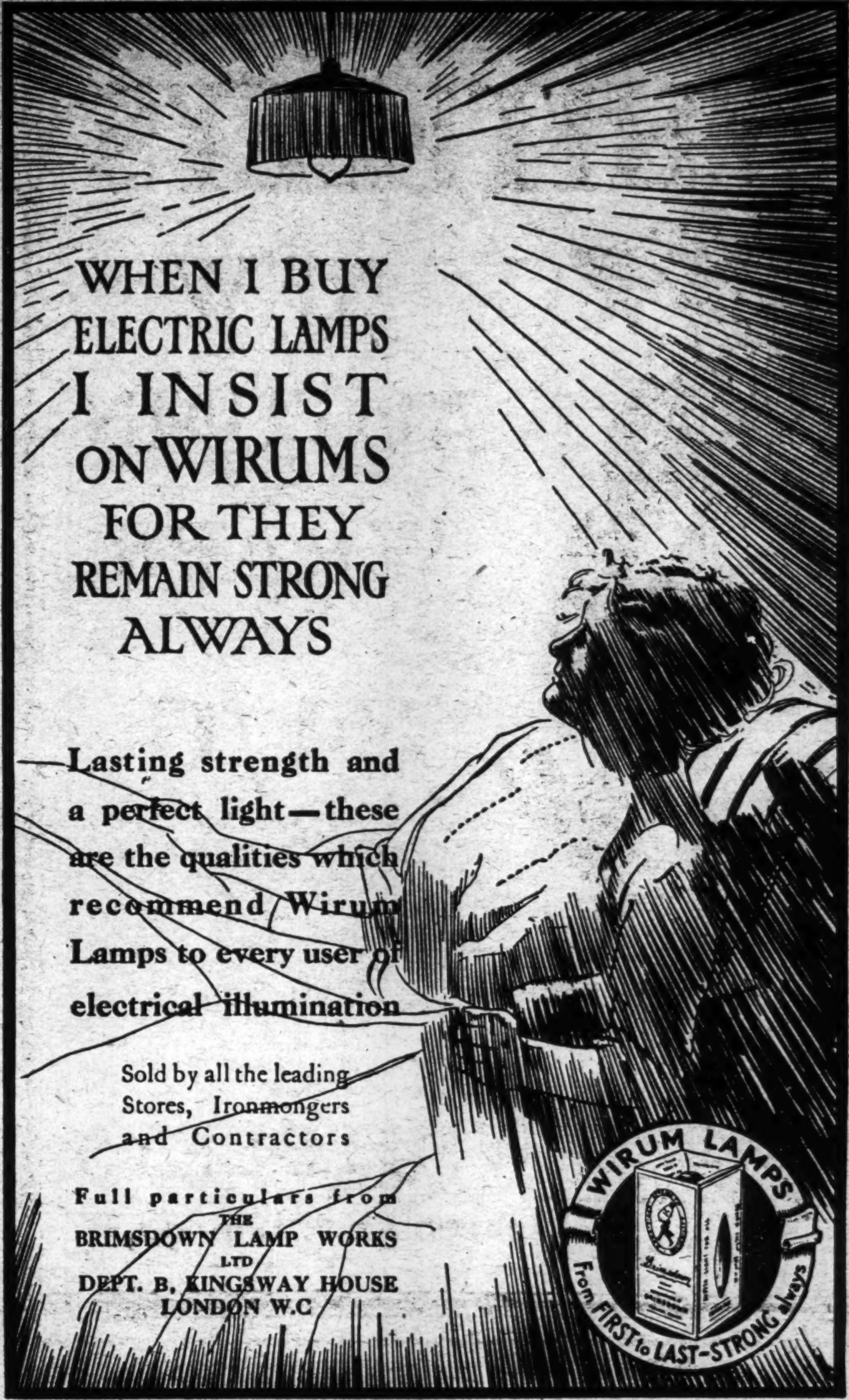
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Correspondents are reminded that reports should be received at Lincoln's Inn House not later than Monday morning first post. They should be written on one side of the paper only, and be as brief as possible. As a large number of important meetings are being arranged, at which the leaders and others will speak, will workers in all centres apply to their local office for instructions as to ticket selling and means of making the meetings known?

BALHAM AND TOOTING.

A good meeting was held on Friday, where Miss Wright addressed audience at Caistor Road, Balham. Papers sold out. Balham members joined in march on Monday last from Kennington to Brixton. It is hoped that as many members as possible will be present at open-air meeting to-day (Friday) (see programme).—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Cocksedge, 12, Foxbourne Road.)

BOWES PARK AND DISTRICT.

A local society of Sociologists attended "Fireside Talk" Tuesday last to hear Miss Laura Gargett read paper on her experiences in Holloway Prison, which provoked so lively a discussion that subject was adjourned until next Tuesday. A sympathetic crowd listened to Miss Gargett at Alderman's Hill on Saturday last, when there were good paper sales. Many thanks to the Misses Hammond for paper selling.—(Org.—Miss Hilda Gargett, 4, Stonard Road, Palmer's Green, N.)

CHELSEA.

Contributions to Jumble Sale will be gratefully received at 308, King's Road. Date is fixed for October 22. All members who can give any help in East End Campaign, please send in their names. Chelsea is taking Limehouse and Stepney, and will want helpers of every kind—for speaking, paper-selling, attending to shop, bill distributing, and canvassing—so anyone who can promise a few hours a week will not lack employment. Members reminded that if they can shop with VOTES FOR WOMEN advertisers they will materially help finances of paper, by encouraging further advertisements.—(Hon. Sec. *pro tem.*—Mrs. K. Temple Bird. Office—308, King's Road, S.W. Telephone 2858 Kens.)

CLAPHAM.

Many thanks to all who worked so hard to make Saturday's sale such a success, and to those who sent Jumble parcels. Mrs. Drummond has promised to speak at prisoners' reception, so please bring all unconverted friends. Tickets can be obtained at office. Gratefully acknowledged monthly contributions: Misses Voyce and Miss Thornton.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Strong, 84, Elspeth Road, S.W.)

CROYDON.

All members who do not as yet contribute to weekly Penny Fund are warmly invited to share this simple and effective means of helping to provide shop rent. Stewards will be needed for meeting in Small Public Hall on October 14, 3 p.m. Please send names to Shop Secretary. Contributions towards refreshments will be very welcome. Many thanks to Mrs. Edwards for so kindly securing tea-urn for use on these occasions. Members urged to support Brixton meetings. Do not forget Christmas Ball.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Cameron Swan. Shop—50, High Street.)

EALING.

At committee meeting last Wednesday Mrs. Tom Norris and Mrs. Vatcher were elected on committee in place of Miss Till and Miss Mabel Spark (resigned). On Sunday last Miss Coombs and Mr. Tom Norris (chair) gave eloquent speeches. A drawing-room meeting will be held at the Academy of Music, 65, Uxbridge Road, Ealing, by kind permission of Mr. Wallis A. Wallis, particulars of which will be given in next issue. Members asked to collect their Jumbles for "Rummage Sale," and send to Hon. Sec. and Miss Cheesshire, Hon. Treas., 23, Churchfield Road, West Ealing.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. F. M. Finlay, 35, Warwick Road.)

FULHAM AND PUTNEY.

Open-air meetings will be discontinued for the present, as Fulham and Putney will be helping Chelsea in Limehouse. Further particulars next week. Splendid meeting at Munster Road last Friday. Speaker, Miss Richard; chair, Miss Cutten. Many thanks to Mrs. Hills and sons for effecting great improvement in both shop windows, and to Mrs. Shellshear for most acceptable gift of marrow jam. The following additional subscriptions to Legal Defence Fund have been received: Miss Shannon, 1s.; A Friend, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Hills, 2s. 6d.; A. W., 1s.; Miss Alexander, 1s.; Miss Hughesdon, 2s. 6d.; total, 18s. 6d. A penny Band Fund has been started. Will members please put pennies in box at shop?—(Hon. Secs.—Mrs. Roberts, Miss Cutten. Office—905, Fulham Road, S.W.)

HACKNEY.

Members asked to attend in full force at Trafalgar Square on Saturday next to demand release of Mr. Mark Wilks. Many thanks for help already extended. Purse for Albert Hall still open. More supporters specially needed for open-air meetings. New ground being worked in East End campaign, and much interest being aroused.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss E. Glidewell, 130, Rushmore Road, Clapton.)

HAMMERSMITH.

Members are reminded of Jumble Sale Saturday, October 12. Parcels can be sent to shop at any time.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Carson. Shop—95, The Grove.)

HAMPSTEAD.

Members reminded that on them lies responsibility of filling Town Hall on October 11 and 12. Rev. Dr. Dearmer has kindly promised to preside at opening of fête on second day. Loan of a motor-car would be greatly appreciated for purposes of advertisement. More volunteers for poster parades also wanted. Prisoners' reception great success, speeches of prisoners being especially appreciated. Last Thursday night meeting on Hampstead Heath addressed by Miss Glidewell and Miss Jenkins. Miss Naylor and Miss Meakin addressed a large crowd on Sunday morning, sixty-four papers being sold and good collection taken, in spite of new police restrictions. Mrs. Percy Dearmer and Miss Gearing welcomed as new members.—(Hon. Secs *pro tem.*—Mrs. A. Weaver, Miss D. Solomon. Shop—178, Finchley Road. Tel. 4900 P.O. Hampstead.)

HENDON AND GOLDER'S GREEN.

Office now open at 26, The Parade, Golder's Green, and open-air meetings are being arranged by Mrs. Fahey every Saturday evening on Promenade. Special appeal being made for subscriptions towards purse to be presented at Albert Hall on October 17. Next Tuesday the first "tea" will take place at 4.30 at office, and a large attendance of members is urgently requested, as there are many important matters to be discussed and much work to be organised.—(Hon. Org.—Miss Mary Beldon. Office—26, The Parade, Golder's Green.)

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HORNSEY.

Members reminded that first "At Home" of winter campaign is on October 10 (see programme). Invitation tickets for distribution can be had from Sec. Help is much needed at Hackney and Clapton Pond open-air meetings. Things for Jumble Sale to be sent to Miss Jackson, 46, Langdon Park Road, Highgate, N.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Bonwick, B.A., 28, Weston Park, Crouch End, N.)

ILFORD.

More helpers needed at Wednesday and Friday meetings. Members should look up list of meetings and chalk a few notices in their own district. This would be of great value. Mrs. Crouch, 132, Wellesley Road, has agreed to take up the Treasurership. October subscriptions now due. Members reminded to keep November 10 clear for Victoria Park Demonstration. Ilford must send a large contingent.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Ethel Haslam, 68, Cranbrook Road.)

ISLINGTON.

Members asked to remember that a Jumble Sale will take place shortly. Parcels can be sent to Office any time. This Union has lost several subscribers this year by removal from district. Will more sympathisers come forward to help meet necessary expenses?—(Hon. Sec.—Miss E. M. Casserley. Office—347, Goswell Road, E.C.)

KENSINGTON.

An At Home generously given by Dr. L. Garrett Anderson, to which workers and members are invited, will be held on October 9. It is hoped Miss Evelyn Sharp will be able to speak. Miss Janette Steer, A.F.L., has kindly promised to recite. Members are asked to consider what time they can give to East End campaign, which will be carried on from October 14 till November 10. A shop will be taken in Bethnal Green, and work will be organised by Miss Dalglish. Please call at 143, Church Street for further particulars. Kensington was well represented in procession to Brixton Prison on Monday, September 23. Many thanks due to the Hon. Mrs. Forbes for gift of £10 to General Fund. Contributions to Jumble Sale gratefully acknowledged from Mrs. Rogers, Hon. Mrs. Forbes, Miss Muriel Marsden, Miss Moore, Miss Mackintosh, and Mrs. Löwy. Clothes, hardware, books, furniture, china, &c., are acceptable, and may be sent to Mrs. Sloan, 41, Lansdown Crescent, Notting Hill Gate.—(Hon. Sec. *pro tem.*—Miss Postlethwaite. Shop—143, Church Street.)

KINGSTON AND DISTRICT.

Contributions wanted for Bran Tub, Dutch Market. Will members send toys, &c., for this purpose? Organiser makes very earnest appeal also for prizes for competitions. Contributions in money or kind which members have promised for refreshments should now be sent without delay to Hon. Sec. All who are helping at various stalls and competitions asked to be at Assembly Rooms at 2 p.m. on day of market. All who can help with preparing market should come to rooms on that morning early. Members asked to distribute bills and get large posters shown where possible. This is urgent. Also to sell tickets, 3d. each, which can be had at shop. More "White Elephants" required. Also contributions to various stalls asked for most urgently. Will all members attend Scotch Café meeting to-night, as final arrangements will be settled? The Hon. Mrs. Haverfield unable to come, but Mrs. Cook has kindly promised to take her place. East End Demonstration on November 10 must be well supported by local union. All are urged to make effort to rally round local banner at Hyde Park Mass Meeting. Particulars announced later. Splendid meeting at Coronation Stone addressed by Miss Gwen Richards. Gratefully acknowledged: Sympathiser, £1; Mrs. Vallance, 2s.; Mrs. Bessell, 2s.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Dacre Fox. Office—13, Union Street, Kingston-on-Thames.)

LEWISHAM.

Mr. E. Duval had splendid meeting at Catford. Miss E. Lambert made her first appearance as a speaker by taking chair. Speakers urgently needed, and would urge members who possibly can to join Speakers' Class. Many thanks to the Misses Townend for presenting window curtains, and to Miss E. A. Llewhellin for making them, also to Mr. Warren, who fixed window fittings. Suggestions to members who are anxious to make us presents: One pair long winter curtains to divide small and larger office, one table cover, waste-paper basket; still more chairs. Gratefully acknowledged:—Office rent: Miss Campbell, 5s.; Miss E. Lambert, 10s.; Miss C. Lambert, 10s.; Mrs. Knight and Miss Tapley Spurr, 13s.; Mrs. and Miss Llewhellin, 2s.; Mrs. Glazier, 5s.; Donation: Misses Townsend, 4s. 1½d. Please remember Jumble Sale goods.—(Hon. Secs.—Miss Christina Campbell, Miss Caroline Townsend. Office—1, Lewis Grove, Lewisham.)

NORTH ISLINGTON.

Two good meetings have been addressed by Miss Agnes Kelly and Miss Keevil at Thane Villa and the prison gates. Miss Gwynne is welcomed as new chairman. Will all members come to rally tomorrow, Saturday (see programme), to welcome ex-prisoners, and go on to help at prison meeting afterwards. A present of sugar to the Office Catering Department would be gratefully received, and members please remember that "Votes for Women" tea can be bought any time there. Subscriptions to Albert Hall purse also urgently requested.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Constance Bryer. Office—19, St. Thomas' Road, Finsbury Park.)

RADLETT.

Members and friends are to make early at least one small article each (and to get as many of their friends as possible to do the same) for Christmas Presents Sale, to be held here at end of November in aid of local funds. Also to do their utmost to secure a really full hall on October 24, when Miss Evelyn Sharp and Mr. Nevinson will be the speakers.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. White, Gravels.)

RICHMOND AND KEW.

Another highly successful meeting at Heron Court has to be recorded. Miss Lightman on Saturday (28th) addressed most appreciative and sympathetic crowd, and Miss Ella Stevenson reports that VOTES FOR WOMEN sold particularly well. Pamphlets also are going satisfactorily.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. C. T. Clayton, Glengariff, Kew Road.)

STREATHAM.

Will members apply to shop for tickets for Jumble Sale? Contributions will be gratefully received. Owing to Vote Secretary's resignation, we very urgently need a volunteer to take her place. No. 3 of Woman's Rights Library is now published, and members should not fail to get this useful little book, price 2d. Many thanks to Mrs. Ecol, Mrs. Craike, Mrs. Holman, and Mrs. Elmslie for gifts to shop of pears, nuts, jam, &c., which sold immediately. Thanks to Miss Phillips for 2s. 6d. and Mrs. Hamilton 1s. towards shop rent. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Moore, 5s.; Anon., 7s. 6d.; Mrs. Tyson, 3s. Members' meeting on Tuesday (see programme).—(Hon. Sec.—Miss L. Tyson. Shop—5, Shrubbery Road.)

WEST HAM.

Dates of Workmen's Hall meeting and Jumble Sale will be announced next week. Will anyone who can give help write to Miss Hooper or call at shop? Congratulations to new speaker, Miss Harbott, who held large and attentive crowd at Saturday's meeting. Papers sold out. Help at these meetings welcomed. Jumble Sale parcels, Mrs. Randall, 12, Shrewsbury Road, Forest Gate.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Hooper. Shop—32a, Romford Road, Stratford.)

WIMBLEDON.

In spite of sudden storm, the Sunday crowd addressed by Mrs. Lamartine Yates (with Mrs. Hutt in the chair) was loathe to disperse, and many lingered to secure the paper. Will all interested inquire at offices for particulars of fixtures. Mrs. Hutt thanked for making black flags, Mr. Goodchild for his gift of three new poster frames. Station pitch must never be short-handed; theatre queues should be given opportunity of purchase. Who will undertake this work as her special contribution? Members and sympathisers are urged to take (either or both) the *Borough News* and *Surrey Comet*, in which good reports of meetings appear week by week. The shop supply of home-made marmalade is just exhausted. Who will replenish from their stock? Jams also very welcome. It is proposed to hold a special Cake and Jam Sale next Friday (10th), proceeds from which will go to swell Wimbledon's contribution at Albert Hall. Will everyone make an effort to bring either pots of jam or jelly and home-made cakes to the shop early that day, or flowers and fruit where other goods impossible? All dishes returnable must be clearly marked with adhesive label bearing owner's name. More jumble goods required at once. All special contributions for Albert Hall should be placed without delay in collection box on counter.—(Hon. Org. Sec.—Mrs. Lamartine Yates. Shop and Offices—9, Victoria Crescent, Broadway. Tel 1092 Wim.)

WIMBLEDON PARK AND S. WIMBLEDON.

Unfortunately, the rain spoiled meeting on Saturday night in Broadway. More volunteers for paper-selling urgently requested to send in their names. It is hoped to announce Captain's name for this purpose next week. All members who have sent subscriptions cordially thanked. List will be published next week. Will members who may be able to help with East End Autumn Campaign kindly send in their names? The court train, as used in "£12 Look," can be hired, 2s. 6d. every performance, and carriage both ways.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Scarborough, 3, Marguerite Villas, Copse Hill.)

WOOLWICH.

Miss Cox addressed large and interested crowd last Friday at Eleanor Road. Members and friends asked to contribute towards Band Fund for East End Campaign. Thanks to Miss Turner for paper selling.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Clifford, 4, Heathwood Gardens, Charlton.)

Home Counties.

BEXHILL-ON-SEA.

Many thanks to Dr. Macpherson (Men's Federation for Women's Suffrage) for arranging meeting on Wednesday morning in Poplar Tea Gardens. His excellent speech much enjoyed. Paper-sellers needed every Friday morning from 11 to 12 o'clock. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Holden, 5s.; Miss Fuller, 5s.; Miss Daniell, 5s.—(Org.—Miss M. S. Allen, Marina.)

BOURNEMOUTH.

A meeting was held on Thursday evening, September 26, at Butler's Corner, Winton. Speakers: Miss Pridden and Miss Howes. Offices have been re-opened again in the afternoons. Mr. Pethick Lawrence will speak at St. Peter's Hall, Friday, October 25, at 8 p.m. Chair, Mrs. Cavendish Bentinck. Tickets, numbered, 2s.; unreserved, 1s. and 6d., on sale at office.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss B. Berry. Office—221, Old Christchurch Road.)

BRIGHTON, HOVE, AND DISTRICT.

Many thanks to Miss Davison for addressing good meetings during her stay in Brighton. Good number of papers sold at meeting in Seaford, addressed by Miss Hardy. Members reminded that tickets for Mrs. Pankhurst's meeting at the Dome are now on sale at office, 2s. (numbered and reserved), 1s. (numbered and reserved if bought before October 22), 6d.—(Org.—Miss G. Allen. Office—8, North Street, Quadrant.)

EASTBOURNE.

The Organiser regrets that owing to small difficulty in final arrangements she is unable to give address of new shop this week. Much, however, can be done by members during week gaining new members, collecting funds, and getting promises for furniture, &c., for shop. Great need for each member to feel personal responsibility in all local work, so that the town may really become a large and useful centre.—(Org.—Miss M. S. Allen, 10, Southfields Road.)

HASTINGS AND ST. LEONARDS.

At Homes will commence on Monday afternoon. Will all members make a point of coming and bringing friends? At Tuesday's meeting in Fish Market resolution demanding release of Mr. Mark

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Wilks carried unanimously. These evening meetings will be discontinued from now, owing to cold weather. Many thanks to Miss Tristram and Miss MacMann, who have so ably taken chair at open-air meetings through summer. Gratefully acknowledged: Miss Martineau, £5.—(Org.—Miss M. S. Allen. Shop—8, Claremont.)

KNEBWORTH.

Members' meeting and tea was held at secretary's on Thursday, September 26, when arrangements for Albert Hall meeting were discussed. It is hoped that a monthly meeting will be held throughout winter.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Avery, Old Knebworth.)

OXFORDSHIRE.

Will members please rally to fortnightly open-air meetings at Martyr's Memorial, commencing October 11? Alternate Fridays will be devoted to open-air meetings in other parts of Oxford. Indoor fortnightly meetings will commence on Wednesday, October 16, when the Lady Isabel Margesson will speak, and it is hoped that Miss Helen Craggs will be present. Full particulars later. Members will be glad to hear that an office has been negotiated for which is central and satisfactory. The Organiser appeals for office furniture and requisites to be given or lent by members. List of things required may be seen at shop.—(Hon. Org.—Miss Dorothy Pethick, 53, Woodstock Road.)

PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTHAMPTON.

It is hoped all members and friends will attend Friday's meeting. Outdoor meetings will be held. For dates inquire of hon. sec. Many thanks to Miss H. G. Evans for donation of 5s.; also to Mrs. Heman, 15s.; and Mrs. Hamilton, 1s. towards station poster.—(Hon Sec.—Miss L. H. Peacock, 4, Pelham Road, Southsea.)

READING.

First sewing meeting for December sale, October 10, 3 p.m. Will members unable to come kindly send materials for garments for poor? Useful articles of all kinds will be acceptable. Contributions towards purse to be presented at Albert Hall may be sent to—(Hon. Sec.—Miss O. L. Cobb, 49, Market Place).

ROCHESTER.

Immense interest was aroused by the visits of Miss Sylvia Pankhurst to Gillingham and Rochester last week. These meetings form the opening of a campaign which will culminate in Mrs. Pankhurst's meeting in the Corn Exchange in Rochester on October 24. Will members please apply to Miss Sharman, 26, Ivy Road, Gillingham, for handbills and tickets for Mrs. Pankhurst's meeting. Canvassers and stewards urgently needed. Open-air meetings begin on October 8. Gratefully acknowledged: £1 from Gillingham members. Will Rochester friends please follow suit.—(Org.—Miss Evelyn Billing, 157, Maidstone Road, Rochester.)

TUNBRIDGE WELLS.

Successful members' meeting held on Wednesday, September 25, winter's work decided. Many more goods and helpers needed for Jumble Sale, October 11. Mrs. Evans and Miss Card welcomed as new members. Gratefully acknowledged for Albert Hall purse: Miss Lelacheur, £1; Mrs. Evans, 15s.; Miss Durham, 10s.; Miss O. Walton, 10s.; Miss Cord, 5s.; Miss Briggs, 5s.; Mrs. Davis, 5s.; Miss Robinson, 5s.; Mrs. Collings, 5s.; Mrs. Perkins, 5s.; Mrs. Sells, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Ireland, 2s. 6d.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss O. Walton. Office—11, Pantiles.)

WOKING.

The second open-air meeting held here, on Friday, September 27, at junction of Commercial and Chertsey Roads was very well attended. Speakers were Miss Keller, who spoke for the first time, and Mr. R. H. Pott. Sale of VOTES was fairly good.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Horace Barrett, Maybury Croft, Heathwood Avenue.)

WORTHING.

Members please note beach meetings will be held every other Wednesday afternoon at 3.30, commencing October 2, when Mrs. Penn Gaskell speaks. Dr. Letitia Fairfield (London) spoke at last evening meeting, September 21. Paper-sellers urgently needed to sell any time or day in the town. Many thanks to Mr. Reginald Pott for useful present of folding stand, also to Miss Ierne Margesson for her collection of Suffrage books. These will be kept at Mrs. Tarrant's, 11, Liverpool Terrace, and lent out. Tickets for Mrs. Pankhurst's Brighton meeting may be obtained from Kelly's, Chapel Road, and Drake's, Rowlands Road, also from the secretary.—(Miss Margot Douglas, Fox Down, Findon, Sussex.)

The Midlands.

BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT.

Members please obtain promise cards from office and get promises of money from friends and sympathisers for Birmingham Purse for Albert Hall meeting. Goods of all kinds wanted for Jumble Sale. Please send contributions to office. Volunteers urgently needed for Saturday morning. Poster parade, 11.15.—(Org.—Miss Dorothy Evans, Miss Gladys Hazel. Office—97, John Bright Street.)

LEICESTER.

Open-air meetings will be continued every Thursday evening in Market Place at 8 p.m. Will members make Tuesday fortnightly indoor meetings well known? Leaflets advertising them can be had at shop. Mrs. Webbe will speak on "The White Slave Traffic" on October 31 at Trades Hall, 8 p.m. (admission free), and November 1, 3 p.m., Victoria Galleries (tickets, 1s.). Please send in garments for Rummage Sale as soon as possible. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Bennett, £1; Miss Carryer, 4s.; Mrs. Wallace, 2s. 6d.; Miss C. Swain, 5s.; Miss T. Swain, 5s.; and various donations towards shop rent.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss C. R. Swain. Office—14, Bowling Green Street.)

NOTTINGHAM.

Many thanks to Miss Naylor for speaking twice on Monday. Members please call at office for handbills of next meeting, October 14, when Miss Lilias Mitchell will speak. Tickets now ready for Mrs. Pankhurst's meeting, October 29, Mechanics' Hall. Organiser would be glad if members and friends would give drawing-room meetings. Much valuable work can be done in this way. Many thanks to Miss Burgis, Miss Gill, and other helpers for organising successful Rummage Sale.—(Org.—Miss Nelly Crocker, Miss Gladys Roberts. Office—30, Bridlesmith Gate.)

SHROPSHIRE.

Organiser hopes that members will work with redoubled vigour after long holiday. Mrs. Twells welcomed as new member. It is hoped that many new articles have been made for bazaar during holidays. Members' meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8 (see programme). Members will be pleased to hear that Mr. F. W. Pethick Lawrence and Lady Isabel Margesson will speak at Shrewsbury Music Hall on Wednesday, November 13, at 8 p.m. Tickets can be had from organiser. Please note change of address.—(Org.—Miss C. M. L. Markwick, 37, High Street.)

WALSALL.

Please send things to office for Jumble Sale, October 12. Library of Suffrage literature will be started, and books lent out at 2d. a week. Will any members lend or give Suffrage books to library for circulation? Will members send contributions to a Walsall purse to be given at Albert Hall meeting, October 17?—(Hon. Org.—Miss E. Ward. Office—19, Leicester Street.)

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West of England.

BRISTOL.

Members please note Victoria Rooms At Homes commence next Monday, October 7. Please make known to friends. Will everyone work their hardest to make things suitable for Christmas presents for coming Sale of Work. Two tickets for Albert Hall to be had of Organiser.—(Hon. Org.—Mrs. Dove-Willcox. Office—37, Queen's Road, Clifton.)

CHELTENHAM.

Members are asked to send in all contributions towards Albert Hall Fund by Wednesday, October 16.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss E. L. Andrews, 2, Vittoria Walk.)

TORQUAY AND PAIGNTON.

Open-air meetings during week aroused much interest, and helped to bring large crowd to hear Miss E. Wylie on Sunday on Paignton Green, when Miss Mills took chair. All papers sold. Thanks to member who chalked notices. More paper-sellers needed. Will members kindly help? Last week four and a half dozen copies sold. Members asked to send donations to Albert Hall meeting Fund, also subscriptions for local fund. Gratefully acknowledged: 10s. from member and 10s. from American visitor. During these critical weeks members earnestly requested to do their utmost to increase interest and scope of work.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Oscar Fausten, Chalet La Rosaire, Livermead.)

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Wales.

CARDIFF AND DISTRICT.

Plans for autumn discussed at well-attended members' meeting at office on September 25. The Welsh Industries Hall being previously engaged, the new Queen's Hall, Queen Street, has been taken for Miss Brackenbury's meeting on October 30. Before that date Organiser hopes to address meetings arranged by members at Whitchurch, Caerphilly, and Penarth. Who will give drawing-room meetings in Cardiff, Llandaff, and Llanishen? Volunteers wanted for office keeping from 2.30 to 5 p.m., also for canvassing newsagents to display poster. Gratefully acknowledged: Miss E. G. Whitefield, £1 1s. towards office rent, and promise of 5s. for poster at station; also 5s. 3d. from Miss K. Flagg for office rent. Collecting cards are being sent out. Will members do their best to get them filled by end of December? Will they also begin to put aside things for Jumble Sale?—(Org.—Miss Annie Williams. Office—27, Charles Street, Cardiff.)

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Eastern Counties.

CAMBRIDGE AND DISTRICT.

Campaign has been opened in Cambridgeshire and Miss Bartels will be glad if members and friends will put themselves in touch with her as soon as possible. She is anxious to arrange a series of drawing-room meetings, and will be most grateful for offers of rooms for this purpose. Further particulars next week.—(Org.—Miss O. Bartels, c/o Post Office, Cambridge.)

CLACTON-ON-SEA.

Jumble Sale will be held on October 14. Many helpers required on that day. Will members offer their services, and also send their contributions as soon as possible to shop.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss K. Lilley. Shop—47, Rosemary Road.)

IPSWICH AND DISTRICT.

Autumn campaign will shortly be in full swing, and members and friends are asked to note that Mrs. Pethick Lawrence will speak in the Public Hall on Tuesday, October 29, at 8 p.m. Tickets, 1s. and 6d.; also 2d. tickets, for working men and women only, can be had, on sale or return. The success of this meeting depends upon a thorough canvass, and volunteers for this work should send in their names immediately. Miss M. Steward, Miss Gentry, and Miss Margaret Fison are each taking charge of special districts, and will need many helpers. Miss Georgina Brackenbury will visit Ipswich on October 15 and 16 (details later). Jumble parcels should be sent to Miss Lillie Roe, 55, Fonnerian Road, Ipswich, not later than October 10.—Org.—Miss Grace Roe. Shop Sec.—Miss King. Shop—Dial Lane, Ipswich.)

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North-Eastern Counties.

BRADFORD AND DISTRICT.

Funds urgently needed for strenuous autumn campaign. Members please help by subscribing.

MEETINGS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

October.			
Friday, 4 ...	Leamington, The Obelisk	Miss Dorothy Evans	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Manchester, Onward Buildings	At Home	8 p.m.
" " ...	North Shields	Miss E. W. Davison, Miss C. Wilcox	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Southsea, Murdock's Room, Palmerston Road	Miss C. A. L. Marsh	8 p.m.
Saturday, 5 ...	Brighton Seafront	Miss Jacobs	3.30 p.m.
Sunday, 6 ...	Brighton Seafront	Miss Jacobs	11.30 a.m.
" " ...	Leeds, Woodhouse Moor	Dr. Helena Jones	3.45 p.m.
Monday, 7 ...	Bradford, 68, Manningham Lane	Tea	4-6 p.m.
" " ...	Clifton, Victoria Rooms	At Home. Tea, Miss Williams	3.30 p.m.
" " ...	Hastings, 8, Claremont	At Home, Miss Joachim	4 p.m.
" " ...	Jarrow, Mechanic's Institute	Miss Davison, Councillor Rose	8 p.m.
Tuesday, 8 ...	Bexhill, Marina	Miss Joachim	4 p.m.
" " ...	Halifax, Southowram Institute	Dr. Helena Jones	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Leeds, 3, Cookridge Street	Tea	3.30-5.30 p.m.
" " ...	Shrewsbury, Sycamore House, Town Walls	Members' Meeting. Hostess: Mrs. Twells	8 p.m.
" " ...	South Shelds, Market Place	Miss Davison	7-30 p.m.
" " ...	York, Market Place	Miss Agnes Suffield	7.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 9...	Birmingham, Queen's College, Paradise Street	Miss Katherine Margesson	8 p.m.
" " ...	Brighton, Seafront		3.30 p.m.
" " ...	Bristol, Armoury Square, Stapleton Road	Miss Jessie Smith	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Cardiff, 27, Charles Street	Miss Annie Williams	—
" " ...	Halifax, Mechanics' Institute	Dr. Jones and others	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Newcastle, 77, Blackett, Street	Miss Bunting	8 p.m.
" " ...	Redhill, Carlton Room	Miss L. Withall	8 p.m.
" " ...	Walsall, 19, Leicester Street	Miss Margesson	—
Thursday, 10 ...	Leeds, 3, Cookridge Street	Speakers' Class	8 p.m.
" " ...	Leicester, Market Place		8 p.m.
" " ...	Newcastle, Bigg Market	Miss Davison	7 p.m.
" " ...	Redhill	Members' Meeting	6 p.m.
" " ...	Sheffield, 26, Chapel Walk	Tea. Progressive Whist	4.30 p.m.
" " ...	York, Blossom Street	Miss Key Jones	7.30 p.m.
Friday, 11 ...	Morpeth, Masonic Hall	Dr. Alice Burn, Miss E. W. Davison, Miss V. Taylor	8 p.m.

LONDON MEETINGS FOR THE FORTHCOMING WEEK

October.			
Friday, 4 ...	Brixton (near Prison)	Mr. S. Casson, Miss Jacobs	8 p.m.
" " ...	Camden Town, Cobden Statue	Miss Nancy Lightman	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Clapham, New Gild Hall, Wandsworth Road	Prisoners' Reception. Mrs. Drummond	7.45 p.m.
" " ...	Croydon, Katherine Street	Mrs. Bouvier, Miss Leslie Hall	8 p.m.
" " ...	Hackney, Berger Road and Well St.	Miss Glidewell. Chair: Miss Dearn.	8 p.m.
" " ...	Harrow Road, Prince of Wales	Miss Feek, Miss Granmer	8 p.m.
" " ...	Homerton, Church Road	Chair: Miss M. D. Roberts, M.A.	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Ilford, East Ham, The Cock	Miss Harvey	8 p.m.
" " ...	Kingston, 13, Union Street	Hostess: Miss N. Gornall	2.30-6 p.m.
" " ...	" Scotch Café	Mrs. Cook. Chair: Mrs. Beatty	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Tooting Broadway	Miss Jacobs. Chair: Miss Coombs	8 p.m.
" " ...	West Molesey, Cherry Orchard	Mrs. Cook. Chair: Mrs. Dacre Fox.	3 p.m.
Saturday " 5 ...	Clapton Pond, Clapton Road		8 p.m.
" " ...	Edgware Road, Nutford Place	Miss Guttridge, Mrs. Fagg	8 p.m.
" " ...	Finsbury Park, 19, St. Thomas' Road	Members' Rally	5-7 p.m.
" " ...	Golder's Green	Miss Keevil. Chair: Miss Burton	6.30 p.m.
" " ...	Hampstead, 178, Finchley Road	Poster Parade	11.15 a.m.
" " ...	Harlesden, Manor Park Road	Miss Phœbe Rickard	8 p.m.
" " ...	Holloway Prison	Mr. Victor Prout, Miss Muriel Darton	8 p.m.
" " ...	Ilford, Balfour Road	Miss Wingrove	8 p.m.
" " ...	Kilburn, Messina Avenue	Miss M. Wright	8 p.m.
" " ...	Kingston, Coronation Stone	Miss Hicks, M.A. Chair: Mrs. Dacre Fox	12 noon.
" " ...	Lewisham, 1, Lewis Grove	Members' Rally	3-8 p.m.
" " ...	Palmer's Green, Alderman's Hill	Miss Richard. Chair: Miss Gargett	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Richmond, Heron Court	Miss F. Feek	8 p.m.
" " ...	Walthamstow, Church Hill	Miss Randell. Chair: Mrs. Gladman	7.30 p.m.
" " ...	Wandsworth, outside Council House.	Miss Coombs. Chair: Mrs. Chapman	8 p.m.
" " ...	Wimbledon, 9, Victoria Crescent, Broadway	Organiser's "At Home"	4.30 p.m.
" " ...	Wimbledon Broadway	Miss Daisy Gibbs. Chair: Mrs. Scarborough	7.30 p.m.
Sunday, 6 ...	Catford Tram Terminus	Miss Cynthia Maguire	7 p.m.
" " ...	Clapham Common	Miss B. Guthrie. Chair: Miss Bell	3 p.m.
" " ...	Ealing Common	Miss Elsa Myers	—
" " ...	Hampstead Heath, Flagstaff	Miss G. Brackenbury, Miss Jenkins	11.30 a.m.
" " ...	Hyde Park (near Marble Arch)	Mr. R. Pott, Mrs. Lamartine Yates	3 p.m.
" " ...	Regent's Park	Miss Richard, Mrs. Fagg	3.15 p.m.
" " ...	Streatham Common	Miss Hicks, M.A. Chair: Miss L. Tyson	3 p.m.
" " ...	Victoria Park	Miss A. Guttridge, Miss E. Glidewell	11.30 a.m.
" " ...	Wimbledon Common	Mrs. Bouvier. Chair: Mrs. Goodchild	3 p.m.
Monday, 7 ...	Croydon, 50, High Street	Mrs. Drummond, Miss C. Green	8 p.m.
" " ...	**London Pavilion, Piccadilly Circus, W.**	**Mrs. Drummond, Miss Naylor. Chair: Miss Annie Kenney**	**3 p.m.**
" " ...	Wandsworth (near Council House)	Mr. E. Duval, Miss M. Wright	8 p.m.
Tuesday, 8 ...	Hampstead, 178, Finchley Road	Work Party	2-6 p.m.
" " ...	Palmer's Green, 6, Stonard Road	Fireside Talks	8 p.m.
" " ...	Pinner, Rockstone House	General Meeting	8.15 p.m.
" " ...	Southfields	Miss Kelly. Chair: Miss Laughton	8 p.m.
" " ...	Stamford Hill, N.	Miss Bonwick, B.A.	8 p.m.
" " ...	Streatham, 5, Shrubbery Road	Members' Meeting	8 p.m.
Wednesday, 9...	Brixton (near Prison)	Mr. V. D. Duval and others	8 p.m.
" " ...	City Road, Fire Station	Miss Randell, B.Sc.	8 p.m.
" " ...	Ilford, Barking, Old Town Hall	Miss Hopkins	8 p.m.
" " ...	Thornton Heath Clock	Mr. E. Shaw	8 p.m.
Thursday, 10 ...	Balham, 12, Foxbourne Road	Members' Meeting	8 p.m.
" " ...	Crouch End, High School, Fairfield Road	Miss G. Brackenbury. Chair: Miss Bonwick, B.A.	8 p.m.
" " ...	Haverstock Hill	Poster Parade	11.15 a.m.
" " ...	Kilburn, 310, High Road	At Home. Mrs. A. J. Webbe, Mrs. Teresa Gough, Miss Yeomans, Little Audrey Trainin	3.30 p.m.
" " ...	Paddington, 52, Praed Street, W.	Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Cook	8.15 p.m.
" " ...	**Steinway Hall, Lower Seymour Street, Portman Square**	**Miss Rachel Barrett, B.Sc., Miss Naylor. Chair: Miss Annie Kenney**	**8 p.m.**
Friday, 11 ...	Balham, Caistor Road	Miss Gargett	8 p.m.
" " ...	Bethnal Green Road	Miss Sylvia Pankhurst	8 p.m.
" " ...	Brixton (near Prison)	Mr. B. Furniss and others	8 p.m.
" " ...	Croydon, Katherine Street	Miss G. Richard, Miss Hardy	8 p.m.
" " ...	Hackney, Library, Paragon Road	Miss A. Gilliatt	8 p.m.
" " ...	Hackney, Graham Road and Amherst Road	Miss Barry	8 p.m.
" " ...	Hampstead, Town Hall	Fair and Fete. Opened by H.H. The Ranee of Sarawak. Chair: Mr. H. W. Nevinson	2-9.30 p.m.
" " ...	Harrow Road, Prince of Wales	Miss Gibbs, Miss Drewry	8 p.m.
" " ...	Ilford, Manor Park, The Rabbits	Miss Harvey	8 p.m.
" " ...	Kingston, 13, Union Street	Hostess: Miss N. Gornall	2.30 to 6 p.m.
" " ...	Seven Sisters' Road, Thane Villas, N.	Miss A. Jacobs, Miss M. Darton	8 p.m.

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Many thanks for following gifts:—Miss Millar Wilson, £1; Mrs. Behrens, set of flower vases for window; Miss A. Ambler, copies of "Daughters of Ishmael" and "The White Slave Market" for library (these may now be borrowed at 2d. per week). Monday teas in full swing; good attendance requested. Volunteers for drawing-room meetings and paper selling still awaited. Jumble Sale postponed. For date, see next week's report.—Hon. Sec.—Miss Millar Wilson. Office—68, Manningham Lane.)

HALIFAX.

Good members' muster at Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday last. It is hoped to get Miss Brackenbury early in November, when we shall have our Sale of Work. Will every member take or send their goods in to Mrs. Wright, The Cottage, Trimingham. More goods needed, so will members make an effort to do as much as they can? Mr. Pethick Lawrence will visit Halifax early in December. Members, please note change of day for next week's meeting: Wednesday, instead of Tuesday, as was announced.—(Hon. Sec.—Dr. Helena Jones, 3, Rhodesia Avenue.)

JARROW.

Councillor Rose has kindly promised to take the chair at Mechanics' Hall on Monday, October 7 (see programme). Mrs. Crow has started paper-selling in streets again, and hopes to dispose of a large number each week.—(Org.—Miss Laura Ainsworth.)

LEEDS AND DISTRICT.

Will members who wish to go to Mrs. Pethick Lawrence's meeting in York on Tuesday, October 22, or to Albert Hall meeting, October 17, kindly communicate at once with secretary, so that arrangements may be made with railway companies. VOTES subscribers wanted Headingly district to get poster up. Please communicate Mrs. Donald King, VOTES Sec.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss C. Palmer. Office—3, Cookridge Street.)

NEWCASTLE AND DISTRICT.

All members asked to attend meeting in office next Wednesday when Miss Bunting gives her paper, and to join in discussion afterwards. Time is very short to the Albert Hall meeting, and organiser will be glad if members will send in promises of donations as soon as possible. There are still a few seats vacant for box at Albert Hall. Many thanks to Mrs. Haggie for her kind hospitality to speakers. —(Org.—Miss Laura Ainsworth. Office—77, Blackett Street.)

SCARBOROUGH.

The last open-air meeting for season was held on foreshore on Saturday afternoon. Dr. Helena Jones spoke to interested and attentive audience. Chair: Miss Bremner. All papers sold; good collection taken. Thanks to Mrs. Wardell for cocoanut ice and to Mrs. Wigney for flowers for shop.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Nora Vickerman. Shop—33, St. Nicholas Cliff.)

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT.

Tickets for Whist Drive, 6d. each (Thursday, October 10; see programme). Miss Crocker will hold a meeting in Sheffield, October 25. Hand-bills in shop to be distributed, re Mr. Pethick Lawrence's meeting, October 29. Members, please call for Sewing Class, Tuesdays; tea, 4.30. Please save Jumbles for sale early in December.—(Hon. Sec.—Miss T. Coxhill. Shop—26, Chapel Walk.)

SOUTH SHIELDS.

Will members attend Tuesday's meeting (see programme)? Many thanks due to Mrs. Briggs, who so kindly offered speaker hospitality last week. The paper will be sold in streets every Friday afternoon. Volunteers wanted for other places.—(Org.—Miss Laura Ainsworth.)

SUNDERLAND.

Organiser is anxious to get in touch with different Women's Classes in this town, and will be glad if any member or friend can help her. Miss Abadam spoke in Edward Hall on Thursday. Next meeting will be addressed by Lady Isabel Hampden Margesson on November 21. More posters wanted to be exhibited in the town.—Org.—Miss Laura Ainsworth.)

YORK.

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence's meeting is on October 22, Festival Concert Rooms. Members still wanted for all kinds of work. Every member and sympathiser look for notices of open-air advertising meeting. Please keep Jumble for Sale; can be stored at office; send postcard and cart will call. Dr. Helena Jones' meeting was a great success, and drew very large crowd. Office is open as usual, daily, from 11 to 1, and 2.30 to 4.30.—(Org.—Miss Key-Jones, Colby Chambers, Coppergate. Tel.—692.)

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North-Western Counties.

LIVERPOOL AND DISTRICT.

Members' meeting, September 24, great success. Splendid offers of help. Debating club started, and will meet first Tuesday of every month, 8 p.m., at office. Twenty new members joined. Entrance fee, 2s. 6d. Private speaking lessons, 1s.; 300 papers sold weekly in streets. Cake and Candy Sale postponed for special reason; instead, Whist Drive, Tuesday, 8th, 8 p.m. Tickets to be had at office. Jumbles wanted for sale. Members, please note social at Wallasey. Shop will be opened at Christmas. Will members and sympathisers do their utmost to guarantee rent? Contributions wanted to be sent to Albert Hall meeting. Many thanks to Mrs. John Edwards for having 100 "Penal Servitude or Votes" posters posted over town, also for having weekly posters put up at Birkenhead landing stage and Exchange Station, Liverpool. Gratefully received: A Spanish Sympathiser, 10s.—(Org.—Miss Helen Jollie. Office—11, Renshaw Street.)

MANCHESTER.

Members asked to make known to-night's At Home (see programme). These meetings will be held the first Friday in every month. Annual meeting will be held at office on Friday, October 18, 8 p.m. Members, please keep this date free. Indoor campaign will be held in suburbs during November, leading up to Mrs. Pankhurst's meeting in Free Trade Hall on December 3 (particulars announced later). Will members please send goods for sale of work on Saturday, October 26, to Mrs. Smith, Selwood, Bramhall Lane, Davenport? More paper sellers urgently needed for Gaiety Theatre pitch. Miss Fanny Helliwell has made herself responsible for two dozen a week. Will all who can spare an hour one night a week?—(Hon. Sec.—Miss K. Wallwork. Office—32, King Street West.)

PRESTON, ST. ANNE, AND DISTRICT.

Very successful At Home at Ribblesdale Café last Thursday, given by Mrs. Holden and local committee in honour of Miss Winifred Holiday's visit to Preston. Mr. Councillor Sandham, of Chorley, and Mr. Wm. Pass also spoke, and many signatures were obtained for White Slave Traffic Petition; i.e., to delete the amendments adopted in committee. Paper-sellers for street sales urgently wanted.—(Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Edith Rigby, 28, Winckley Square.)

WALLASEY.

Committee meeting held on Monday, at which Miss Jollie, from Liverpool, was present. A Social will be held on October 14 at Concert Hall, Liscard. Tickets, 6d. each, may be obtained from Miss Hoy, Highbury, Marlowe Road. Will members get their tickets as soon as possible, to assist those who are arranging refreshments?—(Hon. Sec.—Miss Lee, 58, Belvidere Road.)

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Scotland.

ABERDEEN.

Successful At Home held Petershead on September 26. Many thanks due to Miss Margaret Smith and Miss Falconer. Literature and papers sold out by Miss Leitch, and many new members made. Member has kindly lent shop, 206, Gallowgate, for Jumble Sale, which will be held Saturday, October 26. Good meeting held Inverarie on Saturday. Many papers sold. Chair: Miss Riddell. At opening meeting held Monday, September 23, members expressed welcome back in delightful form of a collection, £7 10s. 9d., which almost disposed of demonstration debt. Miss Mackay's sweet-making class begins immediately. Intending members should meet at office Tuesday, October 8, 4 p.m.; 5s. a lesson, 12s. course of three, proceeds to cause. Tickets will shortly be issued Mrs. Pethick Lawrence's meeting, November 4. Cake and candy sale Saturday, December 14. Speakers' class, Wednesday, October 9, at office, 5 p.m.—(Org.—Miss Lilias Mitchell. Shop—7, Bon-Accord Street.)

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND.

Glasgow members have an enormous undertaking before them, as Mr. S. D. Shallard, London (Men's Society for Women's Rights), has been engaged to speak every day for four weeks (October 21 to November 16) in most of principal industrial towns in West of Scotland. Halls have already been taken in Paisley, Greenock, Lanark, Hamilton, Wishaw, Clydebank, Rutherglen, Ayr, Prestwick, Old Cumnock, Kilmarnock, Newmilns, and in two districts of Glasgow, Camlachie and Hutchesontown. Miss Marie Naylor (London) speaks on Woman Suffrage (under auspices of the I.L.P.) at Metropole Theatre, Stockwell Street, on Sunday, October 13. Monday, October 14, Charing Cross Halls, at 3.30; first At Home; speaker, Miss Marie Naylor. Special appeal is made for subscriptions to send to Albert Hall meeting on October 17.—(Org.—Miss J. Allen. Offices—502, Sauchiehall Street.)

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SPEAKERS' CLASS

Hon. Elocution Mistress—Miss Rosa Leo, 45, Ashworth Mansions, Elgin Avenue, W. Hon. Sec.—Miss Hale, Lincoln's Inn House, Kingsway, W.C.

The public classes will be resumed on Friday, October 18, at Lincoln's Inn House, Kingsway, at 7.45 p.m. A great many new speakers are wanted, both for the outdoor and the East End campaign, and it is hoped that a great many members will avail themselves of this opportunity of learning to speak. Miss Leo's private classes will be held every Saturday (commencing October 5), at 41, Norfolk Square, W., at 4 p.m., by kind permission of Mrs. Ayrton. All communications concerning these should be addressed to Miss Leo, and a stamped and addressed envelope enclosed for a reply, and those about the public classes to Miss Hale.

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CLERKS' W.S.P.U.

Members of W.S.P.U. engaged in clerical professional are asked to join the Clerks' Branch, and to help in getting up meetings, &c., for other business women. Secretaries will be very glad to hear from anyone willing to join. Pitch at Liverpool Street is creating a great deal of interest. Has anyone an evening a week to spare for paper-selling? Subscriptions are gratefully acknowledged.—(Hon. Secs.—Miss Cynthia Maguire, 39, Priory Road, W. Hampstead, Miss P. A. Ayrton, 62, Edith Road, W. Kensington.)

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FREE CHURCH LEAGUE FOR W.S.

To inaugurate a Hampstead branch, a public meeting will be held at Hampstead Town Hall today (Friday), October 4, at 8.15. Chairman, Rev. C. Fleming Williams. Speakers, Miss Margaret Robertson, Dr. Frances Willey, Dr. Horton, Rev. Henry Gow, B.A. Tickets, 1s. and 6d., to be had from Mrs. Bellis, 3, Devonshire Hill, Hampstead.—(Gen. Sec.—Rev. C. Fleming Williams, 2, Holmbury View, Springfield, Clapton, N.E.)

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MEN'S FEDERATION FOR W.S.

After processing, with band, round Brixton Prison, demonstrations have been held nightly in its vicinity under auspices of Federation. Enthusiastic crowds have assembled, at which resolutions were carried, with few dissentients, protesting against the imprisonment of Mark Wilks. Speakers: Mrs. Despard, Mrs. Cobden Sanderson, Miss Agnes Kelly, Miss Hilda Gargett, Miss Nancy Lightman, Miss Naylor, Mrs. Clarendon Hyde, and Mrs. Kineton Parkes; also Messrs. Bull, Heard, Laurence Housman, Furniss, Victor Prout, E. W. Futvoye, and Lieut. Cather, R.N. Very successful public indignation meeting was held at Caxton Hall on Thursday, Sept. 26; also on Sunday last at Finsbury Park (speakers: Messrs. Victor Prout and Metcalf), and at Brockwell Park (speakers: Miss Nancy Lightman and E. W. Futvoye). Services rendered during week by speakers and helpers warmly appreciated. Meetings will be continued outside, or in the vicinity of Brixton Prison, until release of Mark Wilks. Procession, with band, will leave Town Hall (opposite Brixton Library), Brixton Road, S.W., every evening, 7.45 p.m. All particulars of meetings, and membership of Federation, from Hon. Sec., Victor Prout, 28, St. Paul's Chambers, Ludgate Hill, E.C.

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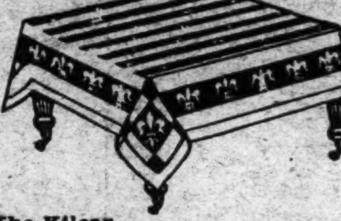

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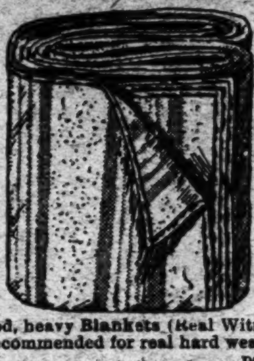

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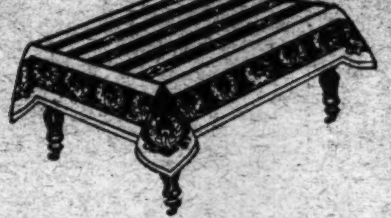

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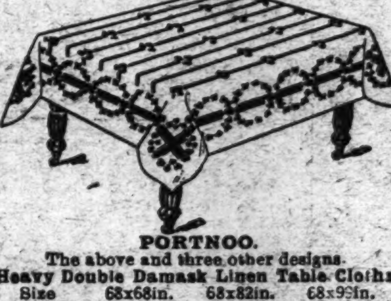

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